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	response letter (if appropriate)	N/A



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40.	Analysis of comments	8/20/2011
	Analysis of comments	8/29/2011
41.	Revised proposal (if appropriate)	8/29/2011
42.	Updated PS form 4920 (if appropriate)	N/A
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44.	Log of Post Office discontinuance actions	8/29/2011
45.	Transmittal to vice president, Delivery and Retail, from District	Manager,
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48.	Instruction letter to postmaster/OIC on posting	9/30/2011

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03/02/2011

DEBORAH ESSLER DISTRICT MANAGER NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC

SUBJECT: Authority to Conduct Investigation

I request your authorization to investigate a possible change in postal services for the office in the 2 congressional district.

Post Office Name:	GLENCLIFF	
Zip+4 Code:	03238-9998	
EAS Level:	53	
Finance Number:	323210	
County:	Grafton	
Proposed Admin Office:	WARREN 2	
ADMIN Miles Away:	4.7	
Near Office Name:	WARREN	
Near Miles Away:	4.7	•
Number of Customers:		j
Post Office Box:	52	•
General Delivery:	0	
Rural Route (RR):	0	
Highway Contract Route (HCR):	0	
Intermediate RR:	0	•
Intermediate HCR:	0	
City Delivery:	0	
Total Customers:	52	
ZIP Code Change:	Yes NO ZIP Code	
Maintain Town Name:	Yes 📝 NO 🗌	
The above office became vacant when	the postmaster retired on 05/02/2010.	
This is a management initiated study to alternate means.	o determine if regular and effective service	e can be provided through
LEIGH ST PIERRE- TRIBUNO Manager, Post Office Operations		
Approval to Study for Discontinuance	:	
DEBORAH ESSLER		03/02/2011
DISTRICT MANAGER NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFO	<u> </u>	DATE

cc: Area Manager, Public Affairs and Communication





# NOTICE OF POST OFFICE EMERGENCY SUSPENSION

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A. Office							
Name: GLENO Area: NORTI Congressional Dis	HEAST strict: 2			District: County:	State: NH NORTHERN NEW I Grafton	NGLAND PI	
EAS Grade:	55				Finance Number	er: <u>32321</u>	0
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Prepared by:	Jim McCartr	ney				Date:	03/17/2011
Title:		NEW ENGLAND PFC P	ost Office	Review C	oordinator		
Tele No:	(207) 482-7	168			<del></del>	Fax No:	(207) 482-7266





# NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS/DISTRICT PERSONNEL OF SUSPENSION

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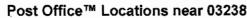
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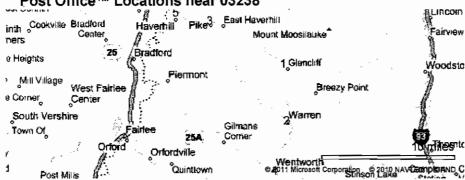


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# Post Office™ Locations

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Post Office™ Location -GLENCLIFF 1385 NH ROUTE 25 UNIT 1 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238-9998 (800) ASK-USPS

> (800) 275-8777 (603) 989-5154

0.0 mi

**Business Hours** 

Mon-Fri 7:00am-10:00am 2:00pm-5:00pm Sat 7:00am-1:00pm

**Business Hours** 

7:30am-1:00pm

2:30pm-5:00pm

7:30am-12:00pm

Mon-Fri

Sat

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closed

Sun closed Services PO\_Boxes Online

Service hours may vary. Please check link for business hours.

### Post Office™ Location -WARREN

18 LAKE TARLETON **RD UNIT 1 WARREN, NH 03279-**9998

(800) ASK-USPS

(800) 275-8777

(603) 764-5733

4.3 mi

## Services

PO Boxes Online

Service hours may vary. Please check link for business hours.

Post Office™ Location - PIKE **1572 MOUNT** MOOSILAUKE HWY PIKE, NH 03780-9998 (800) ASK-USPS

(800) 275-8777

(603) 989-5549

6.4 mi

**Business Hours** Mon-Fri 7:30am-12:00pm

1:30pm-5:00pm Sat 8:00am-12:00pm

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PO Boxes Online

Service hours may vary. Please check link for business hours.

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Jim McCartney

Date:

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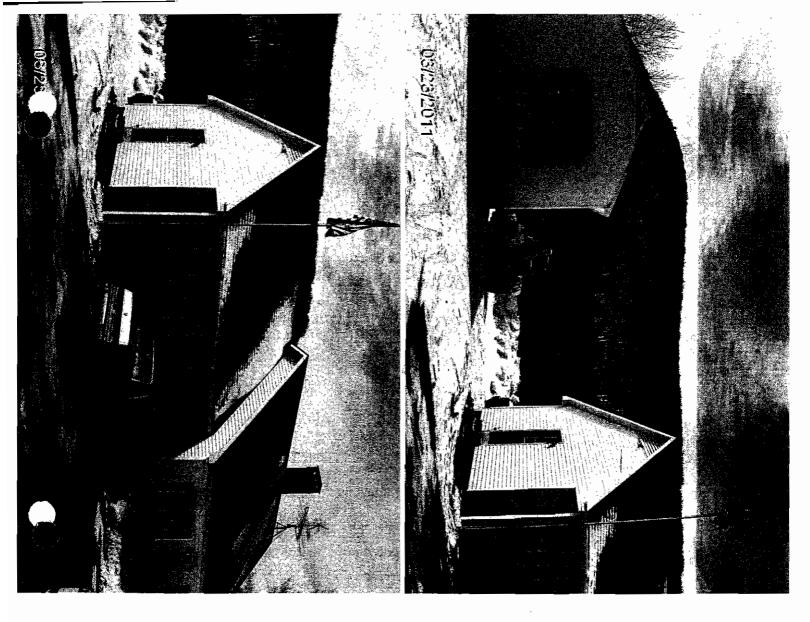
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PS Form 150, Postmaster Workload Information

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Post Office, State & Zip Code GLENCLIFF, NH 03238	Postmaster's Signature KYH67Q	Date 03/31/2011	
District Office, State & Zip Code NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC, MAINE 04101		District Manager's Signature KYB8X8	Date 03/31/2011
(Check Box)  ✓ Vacancy  Management Review	RFR	See Instru	
1. Current Office Level			53
2. Finance Number	(1-6)	32	3210
3. General Delivery Families Served	(7-9)		0
4. Post Office Boxes/Call Boxes Rented	(10-15	) "	52
5. Possible City Delivenes	(16-20)	)	0
6. Administrative Rural Boxes Served	(21-25		0
7. Intermediate Rural Boxes Served	(26-30)		0
Administrative Responsibility form Intermediate Rural Boxes for Other Offices	(31-35)	,	0
9. Administrative Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	(36-39)	1	0
10. Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	(40-43)		0
Administrative Responsibility for Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes for Other Offices	(44-47)	,	0
12. Number of Carrier Stations/Branches	(48-49)	· .	0
13. Number of Finance Stations/Branches	(50-51)		0
14. Number of Contract Stations/Branches & Community Post Offices	(52-53)		0
15a. Does Office Experience A Seasonal Workload? (box one "Y" of yes, "N" for no) (If you answer "yes" of this question, complete 'Seasonal Workload' section on reverse.)	(54)		N
15b. Duration of Experience A Seasonal Workload? (minimum or 8 weeks)	(55-56)		0
16. Does Office Perform Outgoing Distribution for Other Offices?	(57)		N
17. Does Office Perform Incoming Distribution for Other Offices?	(58)		N
18. Does Office Perform Incoming Secondary Distribution for Other Offices?	(59)		N
19. Do You Separate All Incoming Letter Size Mail to City & Rural Carrier Routes for Your Own Office?	(60)		N
20. Do You Separate All Incoming Flat Size Mail to City & Rural Carrier Routes for Your Own Office?	(61)		N
21. Do You Have Responsibility for Vehicle Maintenance Facilities?	(62)		N
22. Does Your Office Have Administrative Responsibility for an Air Transfer Office?	(63)		N
23. Is Postmaster Lessor for Government Owned Building?	(84)		N
24. Does Office Have MPLSM/SPLSM?	(65)		N
25. Does Office Distribute Food Stamps?	(65)		N

#### PS Form 150, Postmaster Workload Information

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	Normal	During Seasonal Period
General Delivery Families Served	0	0
Post Office Boxes/Call Boxes Rented	52	0
Possible City Deliveries	0	. 0
Administrative Rural Boxes Served	0	0
Intermediate Rural Boxes Served	0	0
Administrative Responsibility/Number Intermediate Rural Boxes	0 .	0
Administrative Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	0	O
Intermediate Highway Contract/Star Route Boxes Served	0	0
Administrative Responsibility/Number Intermediate Highway Contract/ Star Route Boxes	٠ 0	0

#### instructions

- 1. Enter current evaluated office level.
- 2. Enter the 6 digit post office finance number.
- 3. Enter number of general delivery families served.
- Enter total number of post office boxes and call boxes rented. Do not confuse with the total number available. This total should include boxes rented at classified stations/branches as well as the main office including GPO's.
- Enter total possible only deliveries. The total reported should equal
  the total possible deliveries shown on Form 1821, Camer Route
  Report, for the previous accounting period.
- Enter the number of administrative boxes served. This is the number of rural route boxes served, within your ZIP Code ONLY by carriers administratively reporting to you. Do not include boxes on the routes which are in the ZIP Code of an intermediate office.
- 7. Enter the number of intermediate rural boxes served. This is the number of rural boxes, within your ZIP Code, served by a carrier administratively reporting to another postmaster. For credit, the mail must be incoming to your office and separated to the routes within your ZIP Code by you or your employees prior to carrier sequencing.
- Enter the number of intermediate rural boxes for which you are administratively responsible. This is the number of boxes served by a carrier administratively responsible to you, but which are located in the ZIP Code for another office.
- 9. Enter the number of administrative highway contract star route boxes served. This is the total number of star route boxes served within your ZIP Code ONLY by a contractor for whom you have administrative responsibility. Do not include boxes on the routes which are in the same ZIP Code of an intermediate office.
- 10. Enter the number of intermediate highway contract star route boxes served. This is the total number of star route boxes served within your ZIP Code ONLY by a contractor who administratively reports to another Postmaster. For credit the mail must be incoming to your office and separated to the contract route by you or your employees.
- 11. Enter the number of intermediate highway contract star route boxes for which you are administratively responsible. This is the number of boxes served by a contractor for whom you are administratively responsible and which are located in the ZIP Code of another office.
- Enter the number of classified stations and/or branches that have carrier delivery service.

- Enter the number of classified finance stations and/or branches (without carrier delivery service) staffed by postal employees.
- Enter the total number of contract stations, rural stations and community post offices.
  - A contract station is a detached finance unit manned by non-postal employees.
  - (b) A rural station is a post office box delivery unit serviced by a rural carrier.
  - A community post office is a contract unit which provides service in a small community.
- 15. To receive credit for a seasonal workload increase the items shown on the seasonal workload portion of the form must show a 25% increase and must last for a minimum of 8 weeks. The Christmas Season is not to be considered as a seasonal workload increase. Should your office have a seasonal workload increase you should enter the exact number of weeks the season lasts and complete the seasonal workload portion of the form in its entirety.

#### Questions 16 Thru 25 Should Be Answered Y (Yes) or N (No)

- 16. Does office separate massed outgoing mail originating in other associate offices to three digit ZIP CODE designating offices and/or area distribution centers and demonstrate a outling, facing and cancelling operation?
- 17. Does office separate massed three digit sorted incoming mail to a five digit sort for other associate offices?
- 18. Does office separate incoming mail to carrier routes for other associate
- Does office separate all incoming letter size mail to city, rural and/or star routes?
- 20. Does office separate all incoming flats to city and/or rural carrier routes without assistance from an MPC?
- 21. Do you have a vehicle maintenance facility under your jurisdiction?
- 22. Do you have an air transfer office under your jurisdiction?
- 23. Do you occupy a government-owned building and lease a portion of the building to someone else?
- Does your office operate a Multiple Position Letter Sorting Machine (MPLSM) or Single Position Letter Sorting Machine (SPLSM)?
- 25. Does your office distribute food stamps?

# Worksheet for calculating Workload Service Credit (WSC) for Post Offices

	Worksheet for cal	culating Worklo	ad Servic	e Credit (V	VSC) for	Post Offices	•	
Office Name:	GLENCLIFF							
Office Zip+4:	03238 -9998 District:	NORTHERN NE	W ENGL	AND PFC				
		Act	ivity WSC	s				
General Deliv	very Families Served (Item 3	, PS Form 150) .				0 X 1.0	=	0
Post Office B	Boxes/Call Boxes Rented (Ite	m 4, PS Form 15	0)			52 X 1.0	=	52
Possible City	Deliveries (Item 5, PS Form	150)				0 X 1.3	3 =	0
Administrativ	e Rural Boxes Served (Item	6, PS Form 150)				0 X 1.0	=	0
Intermediate	Rural Boxes Served (Item 7	, PS Form 150) .				0 X 0.7	=	0
	e Responsibility for Intermed							
(Item 8, PS	S Form 150)					0 X 0.3	=	0
	e-Highway Contract/Star Ro							
(item 9, PS	S Form 150)					0 X 1.0	=	0
Intermediate	Highway Contract/Star Rout	e Boxes Served						
(Item 10, P	S Form 150)	<i></i>	• • • • • • • •			0 X 0.7	- =	0
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Boxes for Oth	•	otal Activity WS0				<u> </u>	. –	— <u> </u>
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Previous eva	aluation: EAS grade	53						
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NORTHERN Coordinator	NEW ENGLAND PFC Distr	ict Review	04/0	01/2011				
Title			Date					<del></del>

# Window Transaction Survey

		Window	Window Transaction Survey		
PO Name:	GLENCLIFF	ZIP+4:	03238 - 9998	Completed By:	KYH67Q
Survey Period:	03/19/2011	through	04/01/2011		

entries in the columns. To obtain the average daily number of transactions, divide the total number of transactions during the survey period by the number of days in the survey. The allowable time per transaction is shown in each column in minutes. To determine the average daily workload in minutes, multiply the number of transactions in each column by the time conversion for that column, total the time conversions for all columns, and divide the total number of minutes by the number of days Record the number of retail window transactions in the appropriate columns for each day. Consider a sale of stamps as one transaction. A sale of stamps and a money order is two transactions. Do not record the handing out over the counter of box mail, general delivery mail, or carrier mail. Instead of this worksheet, you may use PS Form 2007-A, Window Transaction Record; PS Form 2007-B, Window Transaction Conversion; and PS Form 2007-C, Window Transaction Survey. Use hash marks (////) for daily in the survey period.

Average Number Daily Transactions:	Daily Average	Time Factor	TOTALS	Fri - 04/01	Thu - 03/31	Wed - 03/30	Tue - 03/29	Mon - 03/28	Sun - 03/27	Sat - 03/26	Fri - 03/25	Thu - 03/24	Wed - 03/23	Tue - 03/22	Mon - 03/21	Sun - 03/20	Sat - 03/19	Day/Date		
	1.7	X .777	26	2	2	-1	3	2	0	1	-13	3	2	3	4	0	2	(.777)	Postage	
	1.1	X 1.083	12	2	1	0	2	_ 2	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	Orders (1.083)	Money	Priority Parcels
11	2.1	X 1.969	13	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	(1.083) (1.969)	Registered	Express
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# Survey of Incoming Mail

Survey of Incoming Mail (Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and Zip+4

GLENCLIFF 03238 - 9998

Dates Recorded

03/19/2011 through 04/01/2011

Date	Letters		Flats		Parcels		Other	
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard		
Sat - 03/19	71	40	24	12	0	0	20	10
Sun - 03/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/21	93	112	28	49	6	5	2	5
Tue - 03/22	29	3	10	40	0	2	0	4
Wed - 03/23	40	30	10	92	4	0	Ö	3
Thu - 03/24	54	30	5 _	7	3	4	7	4
Fri - 03/25	88	67	26	72	1	0	2	2
Sat - 03/26	73	65	7	8.	3	4	2	0
Sun - 03/27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Моп - 03/28	94	18	25	32	3	3	0	1
Tue - 03/29	29	67	10	26	0	10	2	0
Wed - 03/30	56	35	6	65	1	2		0
Thu - 03/31	52	34	. 13	115	2	1	1	0
Fri - 04/01	88	40	25	32	2	2	6	2
TOTALS	767	541	189	550	25	33	46	31
Daily Average	63.9	45.1	15.8	45.8	2.1	2.8	3.8	2.6

Signature of Person Making Count:

KYH67Q

Printed Name:

KYH67Q

Date:

04/02/11

### Conversion Rate

Letter Type	Total Pieces Per Foot	Flat Type	Total Pieces Per Foot
Manual Letters	227	Manual Flats	115
Automated Letters	215	Automated Flats	1/15
Sequenced Letters	227	Sequenced Flats	115

Conversion rates are subject to periodic updates which will be published and disseminated when applicable.

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# Survey of Dispatched Mail

Survey of Dispatched Mail (Record in Pieces)

Post Office Name and Zip+4

GLENCLIFF 03238 - 9998

Dates Recorded

\_\_ through \_\_\_\_04/01/2011 03/19/2011

Date	Le	tters	F	lats	Par	rcels	Oti	her
	First Class	Standard	First Class	Standard	Priority	Standard		
Sat - 03/19	15	0 .	1	0	0	0	1	0
Sun - 03/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/21	31	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Tue - 03/22	25	0	5	0	0	0	3	1
Wed - 03/23	28	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
Thu - 03/24	21	0	3 _	0	0	0	4	Ō
Fri - 03/25	21	1	1	1	2	0	0	0
Sat - 03/26	15	0	1	.0.	1	1	2	0
Sun - 03/27	0	0	0	0~	0	0	0	0
Mon - 03/28	40	0	2	2 :	0	2	3	0
Tue - 03/29	11	0	3	0	2	0	1	0
Wed - 03/30	13	1	1	0	0	0	1 '	0
Thu - 03/31	21	0	. 2	4	0	1	1	0
Fri - 04/01	19	0	1	2	1	0	ď	0
TOTALS	260	2	21	9	6	5	<b>2</b> 2	1
Daily Average	21.7	0.2	1.8	0.8	0.5	0.4	1.8	0.1
Signature of Per	son Making	Count:	KYH67Q		· ·	•		

Printed Name:

KYH67Q

Date:

04/02/11



### 03/17/2011

# OIC/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: GLENCLIFF Post Office

Please provide the names and addresses of businesses, religious institutions, civic organizations, and local government offices, and schools that are served by the GLENCLIFF Post Office. The list of businesses should include small, part-time and in-home businesses, as well as public institutions, such as schools, police departments, etc; religious institutions and businesses physically located outside the community that use retail services on a routine basis at the GLENCLIFF Post Office. Also, please provide the total number of permit mailers and postage meter customers. Indicate in the space below the total number of Post Office box, general, and street delivery customers served by the office. Return all documents to JIM MCCARTNEY by 03/31/2011. This information will be entered into the official record for public viewing.

Post Office Box	<u>52</u>
General Delivery	_0
Rural Route (RR)	· <u>0</u>
Highway Contract Route (HCR)	_0
Intermediate RR	_0
Intermediate HCR	0
City Delivery	0
Total Customers	52

If you have any comments on alternate means of providing services to the GLENCLIFF customers, please provide them below:

1/Glencliff Community Chapel 2/ Glencliff Improvement Coop. 3/ Hikers Welcome Hostel 4/ Glencliff Home for the Elderly 5/ Backwoods Sugar House 6/ Walt's Auto & Marine 7/ Timberland Construction

JIM MCCARTNEY
Post Office Review Coordinator

# Comments:

I know that you do not feel that the AT hikers count for the seasonal increase, but not only do they get thier packages here but they also send them out here. Most hikers open the packages outside, take out what they need and then either send things home or on further up the trail. I think that should also factor into the equation. I am uncomfortable signing off on the PS 150 as is because it has been altered from the state that I reported it to you!

cc: Official Record



# 03/07/2011

SUBJECT: Possible Discontinuance of Post Office

The Postal Service is currently conducting an investigation concerning the possible discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office, 03238 - 9998, located in Grafton County. Please search your records for any recent reports of mail theft or vandalism in the area.

Please enter your findings in the yellow blocks below. Once complete please click submit. You can print from above. Signatures are captured electronically.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter

JIM MCCARTNEY
Post Office Review Coordinator
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC

NBR records of mail theft or vandalism: 0

Comments/Findings:

cc: Official Record



03/24/2011

Warren Police Department PO Box 40 Warren NH 03279

SUBJECT: Possible Discontinuance of Post Office

The Postal Service is currently conducting an investigation concerning the possible discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office, 03238 - 9998, located in Grafton County. Please search your records for any recent reports of mail theft or vandalism in the area.

Please return your findings in the enclosed envelope. You may use the bottom of this form to report your findings, accompanied by your signature, title, and date.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter

J/M MCCARTNEY

Post Office Review Coordinator NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC

Enclosure: Return Envelope

Nbr records of mail theft or vandalism:

Comments/Findings:

cc: Official Record

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		Post Off	ice Survey Sheet		
	Post Office Name	GLENCLIFF	ZI	IP+4	03238-9998
	Congressional District	2	Da	ate	04/01/2011
1.		oout the facility, such as structuble), security, and other deficie		ack of running v	vater or restrooms (if so,
2.	Is the facility accessible	to persons with disabilities?	Yes	<b>№</b> No	
3.	Lease terms? 30-day can	cellation clause? Fixed. 30	day cancellation clause		
4.	Are suitable alternate qu	arters available for an independ	lent Post Office? If so, where	e?	
5.	List potential CPO sites.		43		
6.		eter customers or permit mailer em by name and address.	rs? Tyes V No		
7.		reer employees will be affected C would be returned to her adn			
8.	How is mail received and box be retained? Will a loc	dispatched at the office and at vocked pouch be utilized?	what times? How will this be	affected by dis	continuance? Will a collection
	Mail received and dispatch	ned by HCR at 08:00 and 16:30	Collection box would not b	e retained	
	How Post Office boxes a	are installed?		72	
	How Post Office boxes a	are used?		52	•
	What are the window ser	rvice hours?	07:00 - 10:00 - 14:00 -	17:00 M-F	
				13:00 S	
	What are the lobby hour	s?	07:00-10:00, 14:00	-17:00 M-F	
			07:00	<u>-13:00</u> S	
9.	Have there been recent of	ases of mail theft or vandalism	reported to the postmaster/0	OIC? Explain.	
	none reported				

# Post Office Survey Sheet (continued)

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10.		What equipment in the Post Office is not owned by the Postal Service (e.g., Post Office Boxes, furniture, safe)?  Cabinet with red shelves							
11.	List potential CBU/pareel lockers sites and distances from present Post Office site. would need to approach private land owners								
12.	Are there any special customer needs? (People who cannot read or write, who cannot drive, who have infirmities or physical handicaps, etc.) How can these people be accommodated?  None								
13.	Rural d	elivery/HCR delivery.							
	a.	What is current evaluation?							
]	b.	Will this change result in the route being overburdened?	Yes 📝 No						
		If so, what accommodations will be made to adjust the route?							
	c.	How many boxes and miles will be added to the route?	0, box 0 Miles						
ĺ	d.	What would be the additional annual expense if the route is increased?	0						
	e	What is the one-time cost of CBU/parcel locker installation (id appropriate)?	0						
	f.	At what time of the day does the carrier begin delivery to the community?							
		Will this delivery time be affected if the office is discontinued? (Y or N)	Yes 🖊 No						
		If so, how?	0						
	Are the l	Post Office box fees at the facility that will provide alternative service different from those	at the office to be						
14.	discontin	nued? If so, how (Cost)? 🗹 More 🗌 Same 🔲 Less							
		as 48 free(E) boxes. Is level 4. New office is level 5 For those that pay now it would be lest over. Delivery to roadside boxes would be extended to community.	s, but a cost for those that						

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# **Community Survey Sheet**

Post Office Name	GLENCLIFF	Survey Sheet ZIP+4	03238-9998
Congressional District	2	Date	04/01/2011
Incorporated?		Yes 📝 No	
Local government provide	ded by:	Warren Selectboard	
Police protection provide	ed by:	Warren Police Officer	
Fire protection provided	by:	Warren Volunteer Fire De	epartment
School location:		Warren Village School	
What residential comme		10.701	
	n with Warren Town office.	? (Please document your source)	
Minimal per conversation History. (Are there any space there any special com Is the Post Office facility Check with the field real of	n with Warren Town office.  becial historical events related to the amunity events to consider?  a state or national historic landmark estate office when verification is nee	community? (see ASM 515.23)? ded.)	nailed ahead in advance fo
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# **Highway Contract Route Cost Analysis Form**

Highway Contract Route Estimated Cost for Alternative Service											
Office N		GLENCLIFF 03238 -9998	District:	NORTHERN NE	EW ENGLAND PFO	<u> </u>					
1.		ne number of add o be added to th			0	х 3.64 hours per year	0.00				
2.		ne number of add be added to the			0.00	x 10.40 hours per year	0.00				
	-			-	ea.	Total time added to the route	0.00				
3.		ne HCR hourly ra tt Area Manager		ng/Contracting	:		0.00				
		Total	additional	compensation (	HCR hourly rate x	total time added to the route)	0.00				

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# Rural Route Carrier Estimated Cost for Alternative Replacement Service

0.00		0151101755			-		
	Name: Zip+4:	GLENCLIFF 03238 -9998	_ District:	NORTHERN NEW E	ENGLAND PF	<u>c</u>	
1.		the number of add to be added to the		e	52		
2.	miles t	the number of add to be added to the the volume factor		-	10.00		
					Total (add	ditional boxes x volume factor)	122.20
3.	to be a Centra Regula	the number of add added to the rural alized boxes ar L route boxes ar Non-L route box	route	e <b>s</b>	0.00 0.00 52.00	x 1.00 Min x 1.82 Min x 2.00 Min  Total additional box allowance	0.00 0.00 104.00
4.	Enter the		tional daily	miles to be added to	10.0	x 12 Mileage Standard	120.00
					To (m	otal additional minutes per week niles carried to two decimal places	346.20
5.		dditional annual m nal minutes per w			346.2	20 x 52 Weeks	18,002.40
6.	Total ad (additio	dditional annual ho nal annual minute ites per hour)	ours		18,002.4	40 / 60 Minutes	300.04
7.	nationa	ne rural cost per h I payroll summary consolidated)		ural	22.6	<u>81</u>	
				Total Annual Cost (	additional anı	nual hours x rural cost per hour	6,783.90
8.	Enter lo	ck pouch allowan	ce (if appli	cable)			0.00
		Total	annual co	st for alternate servi	ce (annual co	ost minus lock pouch allowance	6,783.90

U.S. Postal Serv POST OFFICE CLOSING OR CONS Fact Sheet	OLIDATION PROPOSA	ıL	1. Date Prepared 06/03/2011	
2. Post Office Name	3. State and ZIP + 4 Code		00/00/2011	
GLENCLIFF	NH, 03238-9998			
District, Customer Service     NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC NORTHEAST	6. County 7. Congressional District Grafton 2			
Reason for Proposal to Discontinue This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.      S. PO Emergency Suspend(a) No Suspension		10. Proposed Perman	ent Alternate Service	
11. Staffing		12. Hours of Service		
a. PM PM Vacancy Reason & Date: retired Occupied 05/02/2010	a. Time M-F 07:00 to 10:00 end 14:00 17:00	Sat 07:00 to 13:00	Total Window Hours Per Week	
b. OIC Career Non-Career	a, Lobby Time M-F 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 17:00	Sat 07:00 to 13:00	36.00	
c. Current PM POSITION Level (150) Downgraded from EAS-53	i	1	'	
d. No of Clerks- 0 No of Career- 0 No of Non-Career_ 0 e. No of Others- 0 No of Career- 0 No of Non-Career- 0	+3.			
13, Number of Customers Served	<del></del>	4, Daily Volume (Piece		
a, Genèral Defivery 0	Types of Mail	Raceived	Dispatched	
b, P.O. Box 52	a: First-Class	109		
c. City Delivery 0	b. Newspeper	61	2	
d, Rural Delivery 0	c. Parcel	4	0	
e. Highway Contract Route Box 0	d. Other	6		
f. Total 52	e. Total	160	24	
g. No. Receiving Duplicate Service 0	f. No. of Postage Meters		- 0	
h, Average No. Daily Transactiona 11.50	g. No. of Permits		0 '	
Finances a. FY 2008 2009 2010	Receipts \$ 11,875 \$ 13,322 \$ 11,342	b, EAS Step 1 PM Basic Salar (no Cola) \$ 22288	c. PM Fringe Benefits y (33.5% of b.) \$7,466	
Postal Owned Leased (# Leased, Expiration Date)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Annual L	ease \$ 4200	
	,	(if Yes, must vacate by		
Located in: Busineas Meme Other St	uitabie altamate quarters ava	ilable? Yes	No	
17. Schools, Churches and Organization in Service Area: No. 1	19. Administrative/Emana	ating Office (Proposed):		
Glencliff Community Chapel	Name WARREN	07:30 to 13:00 and	3 Miles Away 4.7	
	Window Service Hours: M-	F14:30 to 17:00 07:30-13:00.	SAT 07:30 to 12:00	
	Lobby Hours: M	F14:30-17:00	SAT 07:30-12:00	
	PO Boxes Available: 63			
16, Businesses in Service Area: No: 6	20, Nearest Post Office (i	f different from above):		
Glendiff Improvement Coop., Hikers Welcome Hastel, Glencliff Hame for the Elderly, Backwoods Sugar House, Walt's Auto & Marine, Timberland	Name WARREN	EAS Level	3 Miles Away 4.7	
Construction		07:30-13:00,		
}	Window Service Hours: M	07:30-13:00,	SAT 07:30-12:00	
		-F14:30-17:00 07:30-13:00 -F14:30-17:00	SAT 07:30-12:00 SAT 07:30-12:00	
-	1	07:30-13:00, F14:30-17:00		
21. Pre	Lobby Hours: M	07:30-13:00, F14:30-17:00		
Printed Name and Title	Lobby Hours: M PO Boxes Available; 83  pared by Signature	07:30-13:00, F14:30-17:00	SAT 07:30-12:00	
	Lobby Hours: M. PO Boxes Available; 83	07:30-13:00, F14:30-17:00	SAT 07:30-12:00	

A. Office



Name:	GLENCL	IFF				State: NH	Zip	Code: 03238	
Area:	NORTHE				District: County:	NORTHERN NEW E	NGLAND P	FC	
	sional Distr	ict: 2	: 2						
EAS Grad	de:	55	S			Finance Number	er: 3232°	10	
Post Offic	ce:		Classified Station			Classified Branch		СРО 🗍	
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This form	is a place	holder fo	r number 19. And the verificati	on of new s	ervice ty	pe is complete.			
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Prepared	d by:	Jim McC	Cartney				Date:	04/04/2011	
Title:		NORTH	ERN NEW ENGLAND PFC Po	st Office Re	eview C	oordinator			
Tele No:		(207) 48	2-7168				Fax No:	(207) 482-7266	



04/26/11

OIC/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: GLENCLIFF Post Office

Enclosed are questionnaires addressed to customers of the GLENCLIFF Post Office. I have also enclosed additional copies of the questionnaires for any retail or other customer who wishes to complete one. Please furnish these questionnaires to retail customers upon request. All completed forms should be forwarded to my office by 05/12/11 for further review.

Jim McCartney

Post Office Review Coordinator

**Enclosures** 



04/26/2011

POSTAL CUSTOMER GLENCLIFF POST OFFICE GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

Dear Postal Service Customer:

As the Postal Service manager responsible for all Post Offices in your area, I would like your opinion concerning a possible change in the way your postal service is provided. The recommended change is tentative and will not lead to a formal proposal unless we conclude that it will provide a maximum degree of regular and effective service.

The Postmaster at the Glencliff Post Office retired on 05/02/2010. The Office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation for the following reasons: This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.

Briefly, we would like to provide pickup and delivery of your mail, as well as the sale of stamps and all other customary postal services, by rural route service emanating from the Warren Post Office.

We estimate that carrier service would cost the Postal Service substantially less than maintaining the Post Office in your community and still provide regular and effective service. Enclosed is information about some of the services available from the carrier. Retail services are also available at the Warren Post Office, located 4.7 miles away. Hours of service at this office are 07:30 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:00, Monday through Friday, and 07:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. Post Office box service is available at this location at increased fees.

I invite you to think about a possible change to rural route service. Please return the enclosed questionnaire by 05/24/2011 using the pre-addressed envelope provided or at the community meeting.

You may, of course, want to discuss this form of service with us before drawing any conclusions. Postal representatives will be at the the Warren Town Hall on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 from 06:00 PM to 07:00 PM to answer questions and provide information about our service. You may wish to discuss and submit your questionnaire at that time.

If you have any questions, you may call Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

LEIGH ST PIERRE- TRIBUNO Manager, Post Office Operations

151 Forest Avenue

Portland, Maine, 04101-9990

Enclosures:

Questionnaire and return envelope Summary of Post Office Change Regulations, Carrier delivery information CBU information sheet (when appropriate)

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following:

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps				
b.	Mailing Letters				
c.	Mailing Parcels				
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail				
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				
f.	Buying money orders				
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				
h.	Sending Express Mail		□.,		
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				
Oth	er Postal Services		ŧ !		
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	□ №		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	□ио́		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	□ №		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	☐ NO		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	∏ №		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	□ №		
е.	Other	YES	☐ NO		
	If yes, please explain:			_	
Do	you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from wo	rk or shoon	oing or for	ersonal ne	eds?
	you pass another to sate office during passiness hears while haveing to or work the	YES	NO	20100114711	
	If yes, please explain:	<u> </u>			
				_	



		Better	Just as Good	No Opinion	Worse
			Just as Good	I No Opinion	vvoise
	It yes,	, please explain:			
		_			
4.	For wh		you leave your community? (Che	eck all that apply.) Where do you	go to obtain these
		_Shopping	<u>-</u>		
		Personal needs			
		Banking			
		Employment			
		Social needs			
					i
<b>5</b> .	Do you	currently use local b	usinesses in the community?		
		Yes No			
	If yes,		use them if the Post Office is disc	continued?	T.
		Yes No			
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ddr	ess:				
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## POST OFFICE ON WHEELS SERVICES AVAILABLE FROM RURAL AND HIGHWAY CONTRACT ROUTE CARRIERS

You can eliminate almost all trips to the Post Office, because doing business with the Postal Service is as close as your mailbox. The carrier can provide virtually all postal services to you, and most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Some of the most frequently used services are:

#### **MAILING PACKAGES**

Carriers will accept packages at the mailbox without a customer being present, provided the postage is fully prepaid, and the customer is known to reside or conduct business at that collection point. The package MUST have a matching return address that is the same as the collection point. If postage has not been applied, estimate the amount of postage needed and leave the money in the mailbox. If insurance is desired, the value of the contents must be specified. The carrier will take the package to the Post Office, and it will be weighed to determine the appropriate rate. The package will be mailed that same day. The carrier will leave the customer's change and insurance receipt, if appropriate, in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

#### **PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL**

The Stamps by Mail program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, *Stamp Purchase Order (Rural)*, available from the Post Office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp-collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the United States Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

#### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the Post Office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

#### SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as Certified, Registered, Express Mail, Delivery Confirmation, Signature Confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

#### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the Post Office during their absence. Upon return, the customer asks the Post Office to resume delivery.



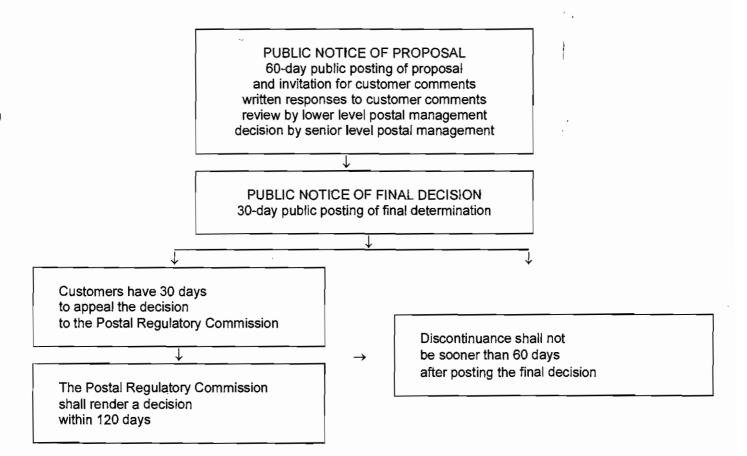
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#### SUMMARY OF POST OFFICE CHANGE REGULATIONS

Certain regulations based on federal law apply when postal managers propose to replace a post office with an alternate form of postal service. These regulations are designed to ensure that the reasons for proposing such changes in postal service are fully disclosed at a stage when customers can make helpful contributions toward a final decision. The full text of the statutory regulations appears in Title 39, United States Code, Section 404(b), while the implementing regulations appear in Title 39, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 241.3.

An initial investigation and any subsequent formal proposal to discontinue a post office originate with postal field managers responsible for post offices in that area. The proposal must explain the services recommended as substitutes and the rationale that supports this recommendation. The written proposal is prominently posted for 60 days at affected post offices, along with an "Invitation for Comments," which formally invites customer comments. At the end of the 60-day comment period, additional review is made at lower and upper levels of postal management.

When a final decision is made at Postal Headquarters in Washington, DC, that decision is posted in affected post offices for 30 days, during which customers may appeal the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC. The Postal Regulatory Commission has 120 days to consider and decide an appeal. Even without an appeal, no post office may be closed sooner than 60 days after the public posting of the final decision.





05/24/2011

DEBORAH DICKMAN 3 STATION ROAD GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990

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Pos	stal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never	
a.	Buying Stamps			×		
b.	Mailing Letters	X			□ .	
c.	Mailing Parcels				occassion	
đ.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X				
e.	Pick up general delivery mail	Ø				
f.	Buying money orders				$oldsymbol{\boxtimes}$	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				- occision	
h.	Sending Express Mail			. 🗀	accussion	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				×	
Oth	er Postal Services					
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	M NO			
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	M NO	•		
Not	npostal Services					
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	🔀 ио			
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	MO 🔀			
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	MO 🔀			
	If yes, please explain:			<del></del> -	<del></del>	
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	NO 💢			
e.	Other	YES	☐ NO			
	If yes, please explain:					
Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs?						
	If yes, please explain:	YES WOLL	□ NO Kan È	Pike		



3.	Post Office	ve carrier delivery, ther oe box service or gene s to your current servic	e will be no change to your deliver ral delivery service, complete this s e?	y service — proceed to question section. How do you think carrier	4. If you currently receive route delivery service
		Better	🔀 Just as Good	No Opinion	Worse
	If yes	s, please ex <u>pl</u> ain:			
4.	For wh		you leave your community? (Chec	ck all that apply.) Where do you g	o to obtain these
	$\mathbf{X}$	Shopping	Plymouth and	Noodsville_	
	X	Personal needs	1	1	
	M	Banking			
	Ø	Employment	·		
	X	Social needs		<del>-</del>	,
5.	Do you	_	sinesses in the community?		
	If ves	Yes No	use them if the Post Office is disc	ontinued?	
	,,	Yes No			
Nam	e:	) EEORA	H Dickmann		
Addr	es <u>s:</u>	3 state	on Road, GI	encliff. NH 0	3238
Tele	ohone:	603-98	59-1003		
Date		5/6/11			
		-/-			

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



05/24/2011

THE VINCELETTE'S P O BOX 10 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990



## **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps			V	
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d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	Ø			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail	V			
f.	Buying money orders				V
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b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	NO F		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	V NO		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	I NO		
e.	Other	YES	☐ NO		
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COURTNEY NOLAN

P O BOX 32 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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a.	Buying Stamps		Z		
b.	Mailing Letters		$\square$		
c.	Mailing Parcels			Z	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	$\square$			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				
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i.	Buying stamp-collecting material		Z		
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	И №		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	NO.		
Non	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	□ №		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	□ №		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	Z YES	□ №	·	
e.	Other	YES	□ №		
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ALBERT & DEBRA BRYANT

P O BOX 21 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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a.	Buying Stamps				
b.	Mailing Letters		Y		
C.	Mailing Parcels				
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail				
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b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	Г №		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	Д ио		
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d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	<b></b> ✓ NO		
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GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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e.	Pick up general delivery mail				
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h.	Sending Express Mail	$\Box$			
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material	$\sqrt{1}$			
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	☐ NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	☐ NO		
Non	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	□ №		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	☐ NO		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	□ №		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES			
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e.	Other	YES	□ ио		
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Do	you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from wo	ork, or shopp	oing, or for r	personal ne	eeds?
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ROBERT LAMARQUE

PO BOX 36 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps		X		
b.	Mailing Letters		X		
c.	Mailing Parcels			$\Sigma$	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	$\mathbf{X}$			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				×
f.	Buying money orders			<b>N</b>	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				
h.	Sending Express Mail			1	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				M
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	NO 🔀		
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b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	☐ NO		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	🔀 NO		
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d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	<b>≥</b> NO		
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STEPHANIE J BONILA 1717 NORTH GROTON RD GROTON NH HEBRON, NH 03241

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b.	Mailing Letters				
c.	Mailing Parcels				V
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail				<b>M</b>
e,	Pick-up general delivery mail				
f.	Buying money orders				M
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			I	
h.	Sending Express Mail				
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				
Oth	ner Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	☑ NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	☑ NO		
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	NO F		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	□ NO		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	DNO		
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d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	☑ NO		
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BARBARA NORCROSS

424 CEMETERY RD HAVERHILL NH HAVERHILL, NH 03765

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h.	Sending Express Mail			V	
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MIKE DAIGLE 1423 RTE 25 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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f.	Buying money orders			V	
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ħ.	Sending Express Mail				
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b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	NO		
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	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	NO		
e.	Other	YES	NO		
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KEVIN S BALL

PO BOX 67 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps				$\mathbf{Z}$
b.	Mailing Letters			$\boxtimes$	
c.	Mailing Parcels				$\boxtimes$
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail		M		
e.	Pick up general delivery mail		X		
f.	Buying money orders				×
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				X
h.	Sending Express Mail				¥
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				$\boxtimes$
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	⊠ NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	NO		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	<b>∑</b> NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	🛛 ио		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	MO 🗷		
	If yes, please explain:				
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Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

Rural Deleivery would be great!



RICHARD W WEDGE PO BOX 5 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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a.	Buying Stamps			$\Box$	
ь.	Mailing Letters			M	
c.	Mailing Parcels			M	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail		$\boxtimes$		
e.	Pick up general delivery mail		$\square$		
f.	Buying money orders				$\Box$ /
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				IJ
h.	Sending Express Mail				$\Box$ /
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				Ø
Oth	er Postal Services				
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b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	М ио.		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	IT NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	Ty No		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	Мо		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	☐ NO		
e.	Other	YES	□ №		
	If yes, please explain:			/	
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HELEN M CARR

PO BOX 16 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

#### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be
  available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not
  require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer
  convenience.
- You expressed a concern about the security of mail. Customers may place a lock on their mailboxes. The mailbox must have a
  slot large enough to accommodate the customer's normal daily mail volume. The Postal Service does not open mailboxes which
  are locked and does not accept keys for this purpose.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glendiff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glendiff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE



# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

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	Buying Stamps	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
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b.	Mailing Letters		X		
c.	Mailing Parcels		X		
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				
f.	Buying money orders			X	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			X	
h.	Sending Express Mail			X	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				X
Oth	ner Postal Services				. 7
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	Й ио		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	∑⁄ NO		
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	Ж ио		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	₩ ио		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	Д ио		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	No		<del></del>
e.	Other	YES	☐ NO		
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JOHN C MACKEY 38 STINSON RD GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

You expressed a concern about the security of mail. Customers may place a lock on their mailboxes. The mailbox must have a
slot large enough to accommodate the customer's normal daily mail volume. The Postal Service does not open mailboxes which
are locked and does not accept keys for this purpose. Also, customers have the option of retaining their PO Box service. The
boxes would be moved to the Warren Post Office and customers would retain their same number and mailing address.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

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a.	Buying Stamps		X		
b.	Mailing Letters		A,		
c.	Mailing Parcels				X
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail	X			
f.	Buying money orders				区
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			X	
h.	Sending Express Mail			X	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material	X			
Oth	er Postal Services	,			
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	У по		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	₩ NO		
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	ј №		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	₩ NO		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	₩ NO		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	ŊĹ NO		
· e.	Other	YES	NO NO		
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MASSIE ANDERSON PO BOX 37 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

n response to your letter

You were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the
carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms
are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

#### PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

#### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

#### SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

#### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

Postal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a. Buying Stamps		<b>区</b>		
b. Mailing Letters		×		
c. Mailing Parcels			X	
d. Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e. Pick up general delivery mail				$\boxtimes$
f. Buying money orders	П		X	
g. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			$\boxtimes$	
h. Sending Express Mail				
i. Buying stamp-collecting material			X	
Other Postal Services	·— <u>-</u>			
a. Entering permit mailings	YES	NO D		
b. Resetting/using postage meter	YES	⊠ NO		
Nonpostal Services		/		
a. Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	☐ NO		
b. Using for school bus stop	YES	X NO		
c. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	💢 ио		
If yes, please explain:				
d. Using public bulletin board	YES	☐ NO		
e. Other	X YES	☐ NO		
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3.	If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service compares to your current service?
	☐ Better ☐ Just as Good ☐ No Opinion ☐ Worse
	May be cause he can walk to the 80. The Po is closed by the time I get wome from work
4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
	Shopping We are miles from any social, banking,
	Personal needs employment establishments - Pully fun S
	Banking No Bo is a road trid except Dicking
	Employment WG OW WAI
	Social needs Whenthere is we other Answess in the whole town
	the 80- is the heart of the whole town.
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?    Yes   No   No
	If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
	☐ Yes No The go is Our Connection
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Addr	ess: PO 37 Glencia, DH 03238
Tele	phone: 603-989-5688
Date	5/5/11
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and a	new pair of boots,



MAGGIE ANDERSON PO BOX 37 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

# Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

in response to your letter:

 You expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168."

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE



CHARLES AND NANCY FOOTE

PO BOX 4 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

Dear Postal Service Customer:

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In response to your letter:

 You expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE



### Postal Service Customer Questionnaire

Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following:

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps		$\boxtimes$		
b.	Mailing Letters almo	<sup>51</sup> 🛛			
C.	Mailing Parcels			$\boxtimes$	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	$\overline{X}$			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				$\boxtimes$
f.	Buying money orders				<b>X</b> I
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				Joccationa
h.	Sending Express Mail			· 🗀	$\boxtimes$
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	MO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	⊠ NO		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	🚺 ио		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	⊠ ио		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	⊠ ио		
	If yes, please explain:			H	<del>_</del>
d.	Using public bulletin board	X YES	☐ NO		
(e.)	Other	X YES	☐ NO		
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Do :	you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from w	ork, or shop	ping, or for p	personal n	eeds?
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	If yes, please explain:				
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### Dear Postal Service Customer:

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno

Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE



# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

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f,	Buying money orders				
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				Ø
h.	Sending Express Mail				<b>×</b>
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				Ø
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	MO		•
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	⊠ ио		
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	ои 🔀		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	ОИ		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	₩ ио		
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	If yes, please explain:				

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3.	If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service compares to your current service?
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4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
	Shopping Plymouth by Woodsville
	Personal needs
	Banking Mymouth by Waldsvilla
	Employment
	Social needs
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?  Yes No  If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?  Yes No
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	ase add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to aplete this questionnaire.
	I would like home delivery/rickup



JAMES & ELIZABETH BUROW 1319 RT 25 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

You expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will
accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On
the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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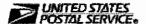
# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

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c.	Mailing Parcels			$\square$	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail				
e.	Pick up general delivery mail	<b>□</b>			
f.	Buying money orders				
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certifled Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			$\Box$	
h.	Sending Express Mail				
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	NO F		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	NO		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	<u>√</u> NO		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO		
	If yes, please explain:				<del></del>
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	□ №		
e.	Other	YES	□ №		
	If yes, please explain:				
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Date: 5-10-1/  Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to	



MARSHA DOWNS PO BOX 71 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will
  accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On
  the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate.
- You were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier, retail services provided at the post office are available from the
  carrier, Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms
  are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

### PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for ventication on the next delivery day.

### SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

You expressed a concern about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows. Please contact the administrative postmaster to
determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a
long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Jul Hours

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Leigh St Pierre- I ribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990



# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps				
b.	Mailing Letters	$\square$			
c.	Mailing Parcels		図		
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail	X			
f.	Buying money orders				$\boxtimes$
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation		$\boxtimes$		
h.	Sending Express Mail			X	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				X
Oth	er Postal Services				
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	⊠ ио		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	ои 🗹		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	⊠ №		
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d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	NO		
e.	Other	YES	□ NO		
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4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
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	Personal needs
	Banking Bradford, VT - onee weekly
	Employment Brackord, VT
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	If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
	Yes    No
Nan	ne: Marsha Downs
Add	ress: PO Box 71, Glancliff, NH 03338
Tele	phone: 603-764-9151
Date	· (A 1)

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May 12, 2011

Mr. Jim McCartney
Post Office Review Coordinator
151 Forest Ave.
Portland, ME 04101-7030

Re: Glencliff Post Office Review

Dear Mr. McCartney:

I have enclosed the questionnaire regarding the review and possible closing of the Glencliff Post Office. I wanted to explain in a letter as well, why I am against the closing of this facility.

The post office in Warren would only be available to me two days out of the week (on my days off) as my work hours and the hours in Warren do not coincide. Because the Glencliff Post Office opens ½ hour earlier than Warren, I can get there every day before work. I don't get out of work until 5:00, so it is only in the mornings that I can get mail, packages, etc. as it is.

You talk about mailing packages from a rural box, but it has to have to postage already on it, or estimated, and who knows how much something will cost when you aren't sure of the weight, etc. In order to do this, you have to take it to the post office anyway. And many packages would not fit in a regular sized rural box. And buying stamps requires a form, which you have to get at the post office. It seems that the services offered from a rural box require a trip to the post office regardless. And personally, I'd rather not leave money in a rural box. I also do not wish to have to purchase a mail box for rural delivery, set it in the ground, and then maintain it when the plows take it down in the winter or have to keep it cleared of snow, which brings up another point. The other issue is, rural service is not available on Pleasant View Rd. where my home is, but on Breezy Point Rd., so the mailbox isn't even near, close to, or visible from the house. It is around a corner and down a hill to get to where the box could be placed. I can't even see that road from my house and I certainly don't want to have to go down to it each time it snows to shovel it out for the carrier.

For many in Glencliff, having to drive five miles one way to the post office each day is a hardship as many are elderly and can't get that far that easily, especially in bad weather. And with the ever-rising cost of gas, would the U.S. Postal Service like to pay for the extra gasoline to go 10 miles roundtrip every day for all of us? I think not.

I won't even bother to get into the Appalachian Trail issue, as I'm sure that will be raised by others.

The Glencliff Post Office serves many people and closing it would create a hardship for many, including myself. I would not relish only being able to get mail twice a week and I don't feel I should be forced to buy a rural mail box, as I don't see that as a real convenience at all, especially in winter as I'd have to walk quite a distance to get my mail from Breezy Point Rd. - a road I don't even live on.

Thank you for your time.

Marsha Downs
Marsha Downs



JIM BUROW PO BOX 33 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. These services will be provided by the carrier to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster.
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  require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer
  convenience.
- You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990



# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

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b.	Mailing Letters		_ _		
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d.	Pick up Post Office box mail			<u>'</u>	
e.	Pick up general delivery mail		<u> </u>	 	
f.	Buying money orders	Section 1	<u> </u>	<u>,                                    </u>	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured				<u> </u>
h.	Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation Sending Express Mail				
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				
	er Postal Services	**************************************		<u>'</u>	<b>-</b>
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	☐ NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	□ №		
Nor	npostal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	□ №		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	☐ NO		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	☐ NO		
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4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
	Shopping
	Personal needs
	Banking
	Employment Employment
	Social needs
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?  Yes No THE POST OFFICE  If yes, would you continue to use thern if the Post Office is discontinued?  Yes No SEE Above
Nam	JM BUKOW
Addı	ss: P.O. Box 33 Glenchff N.H.0323
Tele	none:
Date	MAY 2011

If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

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PACKAGES GO TO FEDEX + U. P.S. /



HERBERT WRIGHT PO BOX 52 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

You expressed a concern about delivery time. A customer's location on a carrier's line of travel determines the time of day mail is delivered. This, of course, precludes providing early delivery of mail to every customer because, no matter how we structure a route, somebody must be last. We do, however, carefully consider the volume of mail for each route so that we can deliver the greatest amount of mail at the earliest possible hour. With the largest fleet of delivery vehicles in the world we must pay special attention to energy conservation measures, to minimize vehicle and fuel expenses. When the price of gasoline goes up one cent per gallon our total gasoline cost rises more than \$8 million. Therefore, when structuring a route, we must balance our goal to deliver as much mail as possible as early as possible with the need to minimize the travel distance a route must cover.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FÖREST AVE

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps		$\boxtimes$		
b.	Mailing Letters	X			
c.	Mailing Parcels		<b>X</b>		
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail		<b>K</b> I		
f.	Buying money orders			$\boxtimes$	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation		Ø		
h.	Sending Express Mail			X	
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				Ø
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	⊠ ио		
Non	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	🔯 ио		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	🔀 ио		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	⊠ ио		
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	Social needs Wherever coest happens - may be local
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?
	Yes No
	If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
	Yes No
Nan	ne: Harbert & Wright
Add	ress: P.O. Box 52 Hendiff, n. H. 13138
Tele	phone: 603-989-3121
Date	s: 5-10-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



EUNICE RAMSEY
PO BOX 26
GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE



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A note from

Ms. Eunice Ramsay

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393 MAIN ST GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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151 FOREST AVE



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R ERIC JONES
PO BOX 64
GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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### In response to your letter:

- Thank you for your email in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25 miles while still considered to be on the trail.
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Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990

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Pos	stal Services	Daily /	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps				
b.	Mailing Letters	abla			
c.	Mailing Parcels				
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e.	Pick up general delivery mail				
f.	Buying money orders				
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				
h.	Sending Express Mail	M			
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	☐ NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	☐ NO		
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a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	☐ NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	☐ NO		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	☐ NO		
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d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	□ ио		
e.	Other	YES	☐ NO		
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	Banking C	IN-LINE		
	Employment			
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	If yes, would you continue to	use them if the Post Office is di	scontinued?	
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Nam	e: A ERIC_	JOHES		
Addr	ess: P.O. Box 64	GLENCHIFF.	NH 03238	
Tele	phone: (603) 989	•		
Date	15 MAY	2011		
Pleas	2		nd attach it to this form. Thank you fo	or taking the time to

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# McCartney, Jim - Portland, ME

From: Eric Jones [legacyforest@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, May 09, 2011 4:43 PM

To: McCartney, Jim - Portland, ME

Subject: Re: Glencliff Post Office

Dear Mr. McCartney



My wife and I have lived in Glencliff, NH for 14 years.

We moved here for the express purpose of being on the Appalachian Scenic Trail (AT) and providing aid and comfort to the Section Hikers and Thru Hikers.

Both of these groups could not carry out the logistics for their 2100+ mile trek from Springer Mountain Georgia to Mt. Katahdin in Maine without the Glençliff Post Office. Both the North bounders and the South bounders utilize Glencliff Post Office for the major equipment and supply change from summer to winter or winter to summer as Glencliff is the beginning/end of what are Known as the "High Whites".

The Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC) considers this one of ( if not the ) most critical post office on the trail.

The American taxpayers have spent millions acquiring and maintaining the AT.

Dozens of trail clubs( such as the Appalachian Mountain Club and the Dartmouth Outing Club ) and their members spend thousands of hours maintaining the AT.

The National Forest Service and the National Park Service spend thousands of hours protecting and maintaining the AT.

Your proposed alternative to the Glencliff Post Office, namely RFD, would serve none of the needs of the users of the AT.

# Please do not close the Glencliff Post Office.

Sincerely,

Eric & Margaret Jones

On Mon, May 9, 2011 at 3:55 PM, McCartney, Jim - Portland, ME < <u>James.J.Mccartney@usps.gov</u>> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr Jones,

I received your message. I am Jim McCartney, Post Office Review Coordinator for the Northern New England District. I am in and out of the office throughout the day, but would be more than happy to answer any questions that I can. Please send an email, and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

# Jim McCartney

NNE District
Post Office Review Coordinator
151 Forest Ave.
Portland, Me. 04101

Eric Jones (941) 475-1039 (Winter) (603) 989-5199 (Summer) legacyforest@gmail.com margaretjanejones.com/store.htm



05/24/2011

JOYCE CABRAL PO BOX 7 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

## Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

. You expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations 151 FOREST AVE

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following:

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps		$\boxtimes$		
b.	Mailing Letters	$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$			
c.	Mailing Parcels		$\square$		
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail		X		
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				X
f.	Buying money orders			X	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			X	
h.	Sending Express Mail				X
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				X
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	⊠ ио		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	М 🔀		
Non	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	∑ ио		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	⊠ ио		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	☐ NO		
	If yes, please explain:  5HCET	PLEASE	SEE A	MACHE	Δ
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	Ои 🗓		
e.	Other	YES	☐ NO		
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	If yes, please explain:				
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3.	If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service compares to your current service?
	Better Just as Good No Opinion Worse
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4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
	Shopping WOODSVICLE & PLYMOUTH
	Personal needs WOODSVILLE & PLYMOUTH
	Banking WOODSVILLE + PLYMOUTH
	Employment
	Social needs WOODSVILLE & FLYMOUTH
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?
	Yes No
	If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
	Yes No
Nam	ne: JOYCE CABRAL
Add	ress: POBOX7 GLENCLIFF NH 03238
Tele	phone: 603-989-3111 EXT 1510
Date	: 5/18/11
Plea	se add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to plete this questionnaire.

May 18, 2011

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Jim McCartney
Post Office Review Coordinator
151 Forest Avenue
Portland ME 04101-7030

RE: Postal Service Customer Questionnaire, Detailed comments pertaining to Question 1

Dear Mr. McCartney:

I work at Glencliff Home as the Finance Assistant in the Business Office. Glencliff Home is a long-term health care facility run by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Health and Human Services and is home to 115 developmentally disabled and/or mentally ill residents.

I receive my personal mail at the Glencliff Post Office but my concern regarding the possible closure of this post office is more for the residents I serve than for myself.

I am responsible for managing the personal funds for our residents. In that capacity, I send out mail and/or packages on behalf of our residents on a daily basis. Because our residents are developmentally disabled and/or mentally ill, they require a substantial amount of assistance from staff members to manage all aspects of daily living.

One of our maintenance staff members picks up the mail, both business-related mail for the facility and personal mail for the residents, each weekday morning. An administrative staff member brings outgoing letters and packages to the Glencliff Post Office each weekday afternoon. The staff members also purchase Money Orders, stamps and supplies as needed.

The convenient location of the Glencliff Post Office allows our staff members to perform the "post office run" and return to the GH campus in just a few minutes. This is important to the function of Glencliff Home since these staff members have other duties to perform. Also, because of our remote location and the type of residents we serve, having all personnel available is essential in the event of an emergency on campus.

Due to their difficult psychological and medical needs, many of our residents are not accepted at traditional nursing homes close to their homes and families. Sending and receiving letters and packages is crucial to maintaining relationships with family and friends who are unable to visit regularly.

I sincerely hope that you take the needs of Glencliff Home's 115 residents into consideration when you determine the future of the Glencliff Post Office.

Sincerely,

Joyce A. Cabral

PO Box 7

Glencliff NH 03238

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05/24/2011

WAYNE GOGUEN PO BOX 20 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter.

You expressed a concern about those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. These services will be provided by the camer to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a format proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno

Manager, Post Office Operations

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Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps				
b.	Mailing Letters				
c.	Mailing Parcels				
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e.	Pick up general delivery mail	<b>O</b>			
f.	Buying money orders	Ø	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation				
h.	Sending Express Mail	. 🔲			
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a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	NO		
Non	postal Services				
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b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	MO		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	YES	ON [		
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05/24/2011

JOHN ROBBLEE 1396 NH RTE 25 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

#### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

• Thank you for your questionnaire in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25 miles while still considered to be on the trail.

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Sincerely.

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE



# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following: From May 15 to Oct is all answers are than **Postal Services** Weekly Monthly Never daily By 800 hikers on the Appalachian TRail **Buying Stamps** X Ш Mailing Letters  $\mathbf{X}$ Mailing Parcels C. d. Pick up Post Office box mail e. Pick up general delivery mail M f. Buying money orders Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured g. Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation Sending Express Mail h. M i. Buying stamp-collecting material Other Postal Services Entering permit mailings 🔀 ио YES Resetting/using postage meter b. X NO Nonpostal Services Picking up government forms (such as tax forms) Using for school bus stop b. Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. C. Senior Citizens If yes, please explain: walk to the P.O. duline hiking Using public bulletin board d. Т ио Other e. I NO | YES If yes, please explain: Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs? 2. YES NO If yes, please explain:

# UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE.

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Telephone	603-9	89 -0040		
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GARY W BEAGLES 1396 NH RTE 25 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Sincerely.

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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From May15 to Oct 15

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Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following: **Postal Services** Daily Weekly Monthly Never **Buying Stamps** b. Mailing Letters Mailing Parcels X C. Pick up Post Office box mail d. Pick up general delivery mail e. Buying money orders M f. Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured g. Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation П 葱 \_ | Sending Express Mail h. 凶 Buying stamp-collecting material i. Other Postal Services Entering permit mailings YEŞ ₩ NO b. Resetting/using postage meter ⊠ ио YES **Nonpostal Services** Picking up government forms X YES Пио (such as tax forms) Using for school bus stop M NO b. \_ YES Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc. X YES □ NO If yes, please explain: can walk to R.O. for services Using public bulletin board X YES ∃ NO d. Other e. YES I NO If yes, please explain: Do you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from work, or shopping, or for personal needs? X NO YES If yes, please explain:

# UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE.

3.	If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service compares to your current service?
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	Employment
	Social needs Wood (villa, LINCULN, NORTH Wood Stock
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?
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Nam	ne: Gary W. Beagles
Add	ress: 1396 Route 25 NH Glanch FL, NH.
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com 8	use add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to appele this questionnaire.  1,00 Appelachian TRuil Hikers use our hostel and the Glonilith, with Post Office which is a cross the street. Hikers have no vehicles to go to Warren. This will require us to be a Post Office Drop off for then a shuttling them to the worken P.O. Hundreds of Plano colls to the worker P.O. Hundreds of Plano colls to the pulling them to the worken P.O. Hundreds of Plano colls to the Prips to Worker Smiles away will have to be made. The relation will inconvenient the hiking community of they will shift their services from this hostel to Lincolnyon North Woodstock causing greatinconvenience to them and us.



05/25/2011

DONNA RENKERT

PO BOX 59 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

#### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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b.	Mailing Letters		X		
c.	Mailing Parcels			X	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail	X			
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				$\boxtimes$
f.	Buying money orders				$\boxtimes$
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			×	
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i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				X
Oth	er Postal Services				
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	NO 🔀		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	X NO		
Non	postal Services				
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C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO		
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	X	Employment
	X	Social needs
5.	Do vo	ு currently use local businesses in the community?
5.	Do you	Yes No
	If yes,	would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
		Yes No
Nam	ne:	DONNA RENKERT
<u>Addı</u>	ess:	PO Box 59
Tele	phone:	603 - 989-5905
Date	:	5-23-2011

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.



05/26/2011

L TODD BICKFORD 393 HIGH ST GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

#### Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

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- You expressed a concern about mail addressed to Giencliff Home residents. Customers who retain Po Box service would continue to use their same mailing address and box number when moved to the Warren Post Office. Customers who elect to receive roadside delivery will be assigned a 911 address. The new address will use the Warren name and 03279 ZIP Code. Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change.

If it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7166.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno

Manager, Post Office Operations

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e.	Pick up general delivery mail	X			
f,	Buying money orders				X
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation		X		
h.	Sending Express Mail		$\mathbf{X}$		
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material				<b>X</b> Í
Oth	er Postał Services				,
a.	Entering permit mailings	YES	X NO		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	☐ NO		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	☐ NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	🔀 ио		
C.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO 🔀		
	If yes, please explain:				
d.	Using public bulletin board	X YES	□ №		
e.	Other	YES	NO X		
	If yes, please explain:				
Do	you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from wo	rk, or shopp	oing, or for	personal ne	eds?
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	Þ	Employment					
	X	Social needs					
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Add	ress:	393 H.S	4 ST. Clenc	lift,	UH 032	<i>38</i>	
Γele	phone:		-3111 x 19				
Date	e:		5/23/11				
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Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire,



05/26/2011

JOAN BLOOM 53 SCOTT HILL RD WARREN, NH 03279

## Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter:

 You expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin board at the Post Office. A community bulletin board is available at the Warren Post Office for use by the residents.

if it is determined that a discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office should be pursued, a formal proposal will be posted in the Warren Post Office and Glencliff Post Office at a later date. If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following:

Pos	tal Services	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
a.	Buying Stamps			X	
b.	Mailing Letters		$\boxtimes$		
c.	Mailing Parcels			$\boxtimes$	
d.	Pick up Post Office box mail				□ NA
e.	Pick up general delivery mail				□ NA
f.	Buying money orders				$\boxtimes$
g.	Obtaining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Mail, Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			$\boxtimes$	
h.	Sending Express Mail				$\boxtimes$
i.	Buying stamp-collecting material			Ø	
Oth	ет Postal Services				
<b>a</b> .	Entering permit mailings	YES	⊠ ио		
b.	Resetting/using postage meter	YES	🗹 ио		
Nor	postal Services				
a.	Picking up government forms (such as tax forms)	YES	X NO		
b.	Using for school bus stop	YES	⊠ ио		
c.	Assisting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	🛛 ио		
	If yes, please explain:				<del></del>
d.	Using public bulletin board	X YES	☐ NO		
e.	Other	YES	□ №		
	If yes, please explain:	Fundra	iver ad	do	
Do	you pass another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from wo	ork, or shopp	ing, or for p	ersonal ne	eds?
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complete this questionnaire.

Better	×	Just as Good	No Opinion	Worse
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For which of the foll services?	owing do you leave	your community? (Chec	k all that apply.) Where do you go	to obtain these
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Do you currently us	e local businesses i	n the community?		
X Yes	] No			
If yes, would you co	ntinue to use them	if the Post Office is disco	ontinued?	
Yes [	No			
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ase add any additional o	omments on a sepa	arate piece of paper and	attach it to this form. Thank you for	or taking the time to



06/02/2011

TIMOTHY HICKEY PO BOX 12 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Thank you for returning your questionnaire concerning the proposed discontinuance of the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments, along with others received, will be included in the official record and considered carefully before further action is taken.

In response to your letter.

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# **Postal Service Customer Questionnaire**

1. Please check the appropriate box to indicate whether you use the GLENCLIFF Post Office for each of the following:

Postal Se	rvices	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Never
	ng Stamps			<u>⊠</u> 2	Πi
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	ng Parcels	П			
	up Post Office box mail		<u>⊠</u>		
	up general delivery mail			· 🗀	 <b>∑</b> P
f. Buyin	ng money orders				<u>F</u>
g. Obtai Mail.	ining special services, including Certified Mail, Registered Mail, Insured Delivery Confirmation, or Signature Confirmation			⋈	
	ing Express Mail				Ø
Buyin	ng stamp-collecting material				Æ
Other Pos	stal Services				
. Enter	ing permit mailings	YES	№ 🖂		
. Rese	tting/using postage meter	YES	≽ №		
lonposta	l Services				
	ng up government forms as tax forms)	YES	NO 🎦		
. Using	g for school bus stop	YES	🛭 №		
. Assis	ting senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.	YES	NO 🔀		
If yes	, please explain:				
i. Using	public bulletin board	YES	<b>⊠</b> NO		
e. Other	r	YES	<b>№</b> NO		
If yes	, please explain:				
Do you pa	ss another Post Office during business hours while traveling to or from w	ork, or shop	oing, or for	personal ne	eeds?
If ves	, please explain:	V YES	NO NO	chi 11	<u> </u>



3.	If you have carrier delivery, there will be no change to your delivery service — proceed to question 4. If you currently receive Post Office box service or general delivery service, complete this section. How do you think carrier route delivery service compares to your current service?
	Better Just as Good , No Opinion Worse
	If yes, please explain: The hours of local post offices are not
	We leave early -get home late. I we frequently miss bills an
4.	For which of the following do you leave your community? (Check all that apply.) Where do you go to obtain these services?
	Shopping Plymouth
	Personal needs Concord
	Banking Woodsville
	Employment Francosia - Lincoln
	Social needs North Haverhill
5.	Do you currently use local businesses in the community?  ———————————————————————————————————
	If yes, would you continue to use them if the Post Office is discontinued?
	☐ Yes ► No
Nan	no: Timothy Hickey
Add	ress: Po Box 12, 164 High st. Glancliff NH.
Tele	ephone: 603-731-3517
Date	= 5-23-11

Please add any additional comments on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form. Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

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# Postal Service Customer Questionnaire Analysis

Questionnaires were distributed to all delivery customers of the GLENCLIFF Post Office on 04/26/2011. Additionally, during the survey period, questionnaires were available at the GLENCLIFF Post Office to walk-in retail customers.

# 1. Number of Questionnaires

Total Questionnaires distributed	55
Favorable to proposal	7
Unfavorable to proposal	16
Expressing no opinion	8
Total questionnaires received	31

### **Postal Concerns**

The following postal concerns were expressed

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Response

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Response

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Concern (Favorable):

No Concern

Response:

Concern (No Opinion):

Customers were concerned about mail security

Response

You expressed a concern about the security of mail. Customers may place a lock on their mailboxes. The mailbox must have a slot large enough to accommodate the customer's normal daily mail volume. The Postal Service does not open mailboxes which are locked and does not accept keys for this purpose.

Concern (No Opinion):

o. No Concern

Response:

Concern (No Opinion):

You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

Response:

You expressed a concern about having to travel to another post office for service. Services provided at the post office will be available from the carrier, and customers will not have to travel to another post office for service. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customer expressed a concern about HIKERS

Response

Thank you for your questionnaire in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treesure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whitebleze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25 miles while still considered to be on the trail.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customer expressed a concern about service to hikers on the Appalachian Trail.

Response

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Concern (UnFavorable):

Customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages

Responsa

You expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed concern for those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to edminoffice Post Office to pick up their mail

You expressed a concern about those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. Thase services will be provided by the carrier to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service

Response:

You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about a change of address

Response

You expressed a concern about mail addressed to Glencliff Home residents. Customers who retain Po Box service would continue to use their same mailing address and box number when moved to the Warren Post Office. Customers who elect to receive roadside delivery will be assigned a 911 address. The new address will use the Warren name and 03279 ZIP Code, Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about later delivery of mail

Response:

You expressed a concern about delivery time. A customer's location on a carrier's line of travel determines the time of day mail is delivered. This, of course, precludes providing early delivery of mail to every customer because, no matter how we structure a route, somebody must be last. We do, however, carefully consider the volume of mail for each route so that we can deliver the greatest amount of mail at the earliest possible hour. With the largest fleet of delivery vehicles in the world we must pay special attention to energy conservation measures, to minimize vehicle and fuel expenses. When the price of gasoline goes up one cent per gallon our total gasoline cost rises more than \$8 million. Therefore, when structuring a route, we must balance our goal to deliver as much mail as possible as early as possible with the need to minimize the travel distance a route must cover.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about mail security

Response

You expressed a concern about the security of mail. Customers may place a lock on their mailboxes. The mailbox must have a slot large enough to accommodate the customer's normal daily mail volume. The Postal Service does not open mailboxes which are locked and does not accept keys for this purpose. Also, customers have the option of retaining their PO Box service. The boxes would be moved to the Warren Post Office and customers would retain their same number and mailing address.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

Response

You are concerned about obtaining services from the carrier. Retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most fransections do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customar convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

## PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase

the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

#### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

#### SPECIAL SERVICES

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, end COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

#### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

## Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

#### Response

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The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

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## Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows

## Response:

You expressed a concern about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows. Please contact the administrative postmaster to determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

# Concern (UnFavorable):

You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

# Response:

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## Nonpostal Concerns

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed

# Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and information center.

## Response:

You expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

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Response:

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# **Community Meeting Roster**

Postal Service Respresentive (Names and Titles):  JIM MCCARTNEY, POST OFFICE REVIEW COORDINATOR  LEIGH ST. PIERRE, MANAGER, PO OPERATIONS  JOHN CANTWELL, SR MANAGER, PO OPERATIONS			Date: 05/24/2011 Time 06:00 PM
Total Number of Customers Present:	21	Place: _the Warren	Town Hall

This document may become a part of the official record that will be available for public viewing.

# Names of Customers Present:

	Name	Mailing Address (optional)	Zip Code	Phone Number
	Marsha Downs	PO Box 71 Glandiff	03238	764-9151
146	$\sim$ 0 · · ·	BASS'S OFFICE	(	226-0064
	BENJE MARN		03779	272-4933
	CharlicChandler		03279	489-9814
	Parle Badas	P.OBA 263	03279	764-9412
	This Dale	POS Glenely	03238	989-5850
	Matthew Stevens	POB 171 Lyne	03768	676.4102
	MIKE HARPER	PO9 REGNAGE	03238	989-5453
	RI EUANS	WARRED	•	
	Íshn Robblee	Fo Box 25 Glendit	03238	989-0040
	PON B. BAGLEYS		03279	764-9469
	Paul Bolen	Demostone Not	-03046	774-3843
	Mancy Foote		03238	989-5911
	Charlie Foot	PO Box 4	03238	989-5911
MO	BOXXXX Alkayses	Sen- Ayork's Office		622-79\$79
Juns.	Mikewright	54574dio Rd	03279	6037645753
	Ontho Bell	1429 Rtc 25	03238	989-5987
	Java Bill	1429 Rt 25	03138	989-5987
	ARRAND PLOUPDE			997-3///
	CLERCLIFF HORE			

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Names of Customers Present	:		
Name	Mailing Address (optional)	Zip Code	Phone Number
Michae LENXEET	10 Box 59	03238	598 - 9963
Michae Respect	PO BOX 59 PO BOX 16	03238	9 <del>29-88</del> 989-0087
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# Postal Service Customer Community Meeting Analysis

(categorize customer concerns as postal or nonpostal and provide the Postal Service response for each.)

### **Postal Concerns**

Concern (UnFavorable):

You expressed a concern about getting rural delivery service to your homes location.

#### Response:

There are several guidelines which must be met prior to a road being approved for delivery. The road to be traveled must be at least 14 feet wide and maintained at all times of the year. It cannot dead end in a private driveway even if the drive is maintained by a municipality. There must be a suitable turning point provided for the carrier, preferably with no backing. If backing is involved, there are other guidelines to adhere to. If backing is necessitated, the Postmaster must verify it is in a low-traffic area and there are no children in the immediate vicinity on a regular basis. There must also be a minimum of one family per one-half mile of travel.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while others were retained

## Response:

Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance

#### Response

Carrier service is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates a positive annual savings.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers wanted to know what do they have to do to keep the Post Office open.

#### Response

Everything you are doing now. Answering questionnaires with comments and concerns. Attending this community meeting. Also, if there is a final determination to close, you will have the option of appealing the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed a concern for the Appalachian Trail thru hikers and Glencliff Home for the Elderly,

# Response:

The Glencliff Post Office is one of 11 post offices in New Hampshire listed on the Appalachian Trail. They range from ten miles to under one mile off the trail. The Warren Post Office is one of the eleven listed at 4.8 miles off the trail. The Glencliff Home would be able to retain its Post Office Box mailing address. It may also be at no fee due to non delivery to the street for the area and town in which it resides.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows

## Response

Please contact the administrative postmaster to determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customer concerned with the safety of hikers picking up winter or summer gear.

## Response

The Post Office is proud to be a part of the Appalachian Trail hikers experience. Of the 129 post offices listed on the trail, 11 are in New Hampshire. Warren at 4.8 miles and Lyme Center at 1.2 miles off the trail are local offices that would be capable of servicing the hikers.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers were concerned about a change of address

## Response

Customers will be assigned a 911 address. The new street address would use the Warren name and ZIP Code. Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change. Customers who remain in a Post Office Box will have no change in address.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route service

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Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day.

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers felt indement weather and poor road conditions might impede delivery

Response:

Both inclement weather and heavy mail volume can cause deviations from the normal delivery schedule. However, the carrier is required to provide a vehicle of adequate size, equipped with necessary equipment (chains or snow tires, warning lights or signs, etc.) to serve the route safely and efficiently and in accordance with federal, state, and local motor vehicle laws and regulations.

# Nonpostal Concerns

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers expressed concern for loss of a community gathering place.

Response

Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at the Willing Workers Hall and residences in town.

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We do not feel your proposal meets your criteria.

Additional Comments: My wi	ife and I use the Glencliff Post Office every day. My wife, an author of	
children's books, could not ge	t along without this post office. I am an investor and could not continue to	
live in Glencliff without this facility and all of its' features.		
Date	15 MAY 2011	
Printed Name/Title (if any)		
Printed Name/ Tibe (if any)	R. ERIC + MARGARET JANE JONES	

Printed Name/Title (if any)

R. ERIC + MARGARET TANE TONES

Address

P.O. Box 64 GLENCLIFF NH 03238

Signature (on appropriate line below)

Resident Patron

Non-Resident Patron

Appalachian Trail Hiker

Other Concerned Citizen

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Resident Patron	
Non-Resident Patron	
Appalachian Trail Hiker	Robert
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Address	955 Van Leer Drive Nashville In	37120
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Non-Resident Patron		
Appalachian Trail Hiker	Ramuel Vinen	
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	Signature (on appropriate line below)
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Appalachian Trail Hiker	
Other Concerned Citizen	Chandle Hams

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of hikers a	nd helped pull them into Glencliff.
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Date 5/24	5/24/1)
Printed Name/Title (if any)	Shane, Clifford
Address	66 Mark Street, Spring field, VT 05156 Signature (on appropriate line below)
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Resident Patron	Shane Clifford
Non-Resident Patron	
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Other Concerned Citizen	·

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Date	5/23/201
Printed Name/Title (if any)	Heather Toulmin
Address	Heather Toulmin 5 Stoan lane, Lyne, NH 03768
	Signature (on appropriate line below)
Resident Patron	
Non-Resident Patron	
Appalachian Trail Hiker	Heather Toner
Other Concerned Citizen	

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•	Signature (on appropriate line below)	
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Non-Resident Patron		
Appalachian Trail Hiker	Show. Tak'	
Other Concerned Citizen		

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I am a former r	esident of Glendiff. Not only is the postoffice
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office and we	ove it. Please keep it open! Thank you!
Date	5/31/2011
Printed Name/Title (if any)	Jean taggat
Address	P.O. BOX 191 Brookline NH 03033
	Signature (on appropriate line below)
Resident Patron	0 - 0
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Appalachian Trail Hiker	
Other Concerned Citizen	

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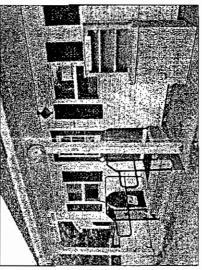
Glencliff Home and Appalachian ♦Warren: Post office serves

By LORNA COLQUHOUN Union Leader Correspondent

may be one of the state's smallest, but their trek along the Appalachian Trail for hundreds of hikers, it is a lifeline on WARREN — The Glencliff Post Office and for residents, a convenience and source of pride in their rural commu-

one serves the Glencliff Home and the who retired last year after 37 years as "This is not what I consider a normal little post office," said Philip Belyea, postmaster and in whose house the Glencliff Post Office is located. "This Appalachian Trail through-hikers. They are very special customers and require special services."

Nearly 40 people, including representatives of U.S. Rep. Charles Bass and U.S. ► See Glencliff, Page B2



serve hundreds of hikers every sunnmer as they pass through Warren. The small post office, three in New Hampshire that Glencliff Post Office --- was The future of 03238 --- the discussed Tuesday night in Appalachian Trail, is one of a quarter of a mile off the on the famed trail from Seorgia to Maine.

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"Patriot" takes over: Retirement ceremony held



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About 850 teams from most

U.S. states and 15 countries

will participate.

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Mayo said he had no doubt one ta brang New Hampshire this fifth-grade class was the a good experience," Taylor back to the competition.

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# Unon Leader Cenesquadent By JASON SCHREIBER

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So far, they have raised about

\$4,800 towards their \$12,000

for the upcoming adventure.

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Control Officer Bill Hansen Since fan. 1, Epping Animal said he's killed 10 to 12 wild animals that he believes were rabid. That's the most he has seen in his six years as animal control officer.

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nearby Kingston rted two possible

ald Briggs Jr. urged residents to Kingston Police Chief Donhe careful.

"It's strange that we would see two rabies-related calls in two weeks," he said.

While none of the suspected Hansen said he knows the signs of rabies and is almost "Over the years I've come to cases has been confirmed, certain that the animals he destroyed were sick. They included skunks, raccoons and foxes.

April and May tend to be the months when state and local

recognize the symptoms," he

Fish and Game Major Kevin Jordan said wild animals give birth during the springtime cause those spots offer some and smaller furbearers often prek residential areas to have their young, most likely beprotection from predators.

The reports of possible rabies as they venture outside in the cases jumps as the population of wild animals increases and more people see them around warmer weather.

calls The number of reports has remained about the same as in "We've had several statewide," Jordan said.

Jordan said the state used to test for rabies in all suspected past years, he said.

Altro I mesoc aranal have been bit-Rampshire and New England, wild animals and in cases where a p 1

rabies in New Hampshire this humans have been exposed to While domestic animals and year, Jordan said none contracted the discase.

Jordan urged people to stay cially those behaving in an erratic manner, such as running away trom wild animals, espein circles.

"Under no circumstances Jordan said. "It's tempting in the spring to pick up young should they ever handle one," animals they think are abandoned in a field, but you're better off to leave it."

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the Warren Post Office.

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miles or more - what's an extra 5 miles to (go to the Warren hikers, they're hiking 2,000 Post Office) to pick up a package?" the man said.

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Warren selectman Charles

"As far as Appalachian Trail later refuted.

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Maryland on Friday night

The students arrive in

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Washington, D.C. They will

Sen. Kelly Avotte turned out for a meeting Tuesday mght at the Warren Town Hall, where officials of the U.S. Postal Service answered questions about the process that will decide whether the Glencliff Post Office remajns open.

"What we are looking at is the review process takes into consideration work load and view Committee, who said closing the post office and said James McCarmey, of the U.S. Postal Service Reestablishing rural delivery," revenues.

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This is the third year of publication by the current author. Both the "trail" and the "town" sections of the book contain new information this year. I hope you find the Handbook complete and easy-to-use.

-- Bob McCaw

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The post offices in this listing are the ones most frequently used as maildrop locations by past thru-hikers, according to survey. The number preceding the post-office name indicates how many thru-hikers used that location last year as a maildrop location, as follows:  $\mathbf{0} = 200+$ ,  $\mathbf{0} = 100+$ ,  $\mathbf{0} = 50+$ ,  $\mathbf{0} = \text{special listing}$ .

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- Franklin, NC 28734—Mon-Fri 8:30-5, Sat 9-12; 250 Depot St., 828-524-3219
- Fontana Dam, NC 28733—Mon-Fri 8:30-3, 50 Fontana Rd., 828-498-2315
- @ Gatlinburg, TN 37738—Mon-Fri 9-5, Sat 9-11; 1216 E. Parkway, 865-436-3229
- **O Hot Springs, NC 28743**—Mon-Fri 8:30-11:30, 1-4, Sat 8:30-10:30; 111 Bridge St., 828-622-3242
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- @ Roan Mountain, TN 37687—Mon-Fri 8-12, 1-4, Sat 7:30-9:30; 8060 Hwy. 19E, 423-772-3014
- 153 Main St., 828-733-5711
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- Williamstown, MA 01267—Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30, Sat 9-12; 56 Spring St., 413-458-3707
- 2 North Adams, MA 01247—Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30, Sat 10-12, 67 Summer St., 413-664-4554
- **Bennington, VT 05201**—Mon-Fri 8-5, Sat 9-2; 108 Elm St., 802-442-2421
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- **2** Killington, VT 05751—Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30, Sat 8:30-12; 2046 Rt. 4, 802-775-4247
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- **West Hartford, VT 05084**—Mon-Fri 7-11:30 and 1-4:45, Sat 7:30-10:15; 4784 Rt. 14, 802-295-6293
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- O Glencliff, NH 03238—Mon-Fri 7-10, 2-5, Sat 7-1; 1385 Rt. 25, 603-989-5154
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- O Stratton, ME 04982-Mon-Fri 8:30-1, 1:30-4, Sat 8:30-11:30; 95 Main St., 207-246-6461
- O Caratunk, ME 04925-Mon-Fri 7:30-11:30, 12-3:45, Sat 7:30-11:15; 172 Main St., 207-672-3416
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- Millinocket, ME 04462—Mon-Fri 9-4, Sat 9-11:30; 113 Penobscot Ave., 207-723-5921

#### IMPORTANT!

Mail sent to post offices in Trail towns should be addressed to: Your Real Name (not a Trail name), c/o General Delivery, City, State, ZIP Code, and the notation "Hold for A.T. Hiker" followed by your expected arrival date on the letter or package. Do not send UPS or FedEx packages to post offices, since by law they cannot accept them. Most post offices ask thru-hikers for some form of photo I.D. (drivers license is acceptable). All post offices will give up to \$50 in cash on debit cards only.

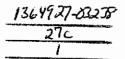
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May 18, 2011





James J. McCartney US Postal Service 151 Forest Avenue Portland, ME 04101

Dear Mr. McCartney,

Re: Glencliff, NH post office

On behalf of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy, I am writing to express our concerns about the proposed closing of the Glencliff, NH post office. It has come to our attention that the US Postal Service is considering closing this office, and we would like to express a strong voice of support to keep it open. While we recognize that USPS is facing serious financial constraints and has to make difficult choices to reduce its operating deficit, we urge you to consider the unique service this particular post office offers to the Appalachian Trail (A.T.) long-distance hiking community before making a decision to close the office.

The Appalachian Trail Conservancy (formerly known as the Appalachian Trail Conference) is a private, nonprofit, educational organization founded in 1925 to coordinate private-citizen as well as public-agency efforts to design, construct and maintain the Appalachian Trail and to conserve and manage adjacent lands and resources. ATC has a membership of 36,000 individuals and also is a federation of 31 affiliated hiking and outing clubs throughout the eastern United States, each of which maintains an assigned segment of the Appalachian Trail. More than two million people visit the A.T. each year and ATC provides information and educational resources to thousands of Trail visitors ever year, including information on where to resupply.

The Glencliff, NH post office is located just ½ mile off the A.T. on NH Rt. 25 and A.T. long distance hikers, whether hiking the entire 2181 mile Trail, or a section of it, have had a longstanding favorable relationship with this post office. Glencliff is a small rural community at the base of Mt. Mousilauke and does not have many of the services frequently utilized by long-distance hikers. Therefore, several hundred hikers per year use the Glencliff PO to receive and send packages to and from home containing food, essential gear, maps and guidebooks, and other items that they need while away from home on a 4-6 month hiking journey. This tradition has been occurring since the 1960's.

A long-distance hiker will receive and send dozens of these "maildrops" while trekking form Georgia to Maine or vice-versa and for many hikers a long-distance hike on the



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June 2, 2011

Appalachian Trail Conservancy Attn: Hawk Metheny 799 Washington Street P.O. Box 807 Harpers Ferry, WV 25425-0807

Dear Mr. Metheny.

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If you should have any further questions, feel free to call Kathy Rokowski, Consumer & Industry Contact Manager, at (207) 482-7207.

Sincerely.

Jim McCartney

Post Office Review Coordinator Northern New England District

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May 19, 2011

Mr. Jim McCartney Post Office Review Coordinator 151 Forest Avenue Portland, Maine 04101-7030

Dear Mr. McCartney,

As Executive Councilor for NH Council District One, I write in support of keeping the Glencliff, NH US Post Office Open.

This small office, in addition to serving the residents along Route 25, serves the NH State Glencliff Home with some 114 full time residents, over 150 state employees, and is the delivery point of a great deal of business mail and packages.

Rural America has suffered enough with the loss of jobs and a decaying infrastructure.

Please keep this small rural Post Office Open.

Sincerely yours,

Raymond S. Burton Executive Councilor

c.c. Governor John Lynch

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June 2, 2011

State of New Hampshire
Office of the Executive Council
Raymond S. Burton
338 River Road
Bath NH 03740-4527

Dear Mr. Burton,

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Sincerely,

Jim McCartney

Post Office Review Coordinator Northern New England District

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### Glencliff Post Office (03238) gets support at hearing

By Bernie Marvin

WARREN-Nearly 40 people turned out last Tuesday evening at the Warren Town Hall to voice their support for a busy and popular Clientiff Post Office that postal officials are looking at for possible closure or realignment some time in the future.

The post office is presently undergoing a study by postal authorities. Results of the testimony will come down from higher postal authorities in seven to 10 months, according to the US Postal Service's James McCartney.

McCartney traveled from Portland Maine to be at the hearing. He said that the entire structure of the post office, located in a private home off Route 25 in Glenciif (a village in the town of Warren) is under review.

Hikers using the Appalachian Trail that runs a quarter-mile away from the post office frequently mail their old equipment or clothing that is no longer needed and pick up packages of new clothing, food and other supplies they will use no their way north. Many of the likers end their trek in Maine and need to be resupplied along the way.

Most of the people at the hearing were opposed to closing the post office and had no trouble telling McCartney about the importance of not reducing the postal services offered to their small rural community.



US Postal Service Review Coordinator, James McCartney (L) speaks with a crowd that assembled last week at a public meeting to hear about a study being undertaken to possibly close the Glencliff Post Office, McCartney was seeking input from the residents and others who came to hearing the voice their opposition to closing the small postal facility located in an area of a private residence on NH Route 25 in Glenchiff. Glencliff is a village in the town of Warren, Postal officials are now sifting through te timony and will be offering their opinion in several weeks. McCartney said the fioal decision will be sent down in seven to 10 months.

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The post office closure meeting was sponsored by the United States Postal Service. with McCartney serving as host. He is also the post office review coordinator and came to town to seek input from residents om the Postal Service consideration to eventually shut down the Glenchiff Post Office.

The study of the Glencliff Post Office for closure is but one of many studies going on in the country relative to cost-saving actions being taken by the US Postal Service during a period of dwindling revenues.

The Internet has been flooded with announcements relative to the possible closing of the post office and a active group has been formed, the hiking community said and is urging hikers and others to help oppose the closure by signing and sending petitions to postal officials

Lauri Potteiger of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy group has informed the hiking community that the Glencliff Post Office is one of the most important along the Appalachian Trail

She said it is in the middle of a long stretch with very few

services and even fewer opportunities to resupply the hiker. She noted that it is also the recommended location for northbound thru hikers to send winter gear since it is right before the first mountain above tree line where hikers suddenly encountered dramatically harsher and colder temperature

McCartney said that should the Glencliff facility be

closed, mail services will be moved over to the Warren post office

We will be reviewing comments made during the hearing Also there to speak with him about the plan to review the operation of the Glenrilli Post Office were field agents from US Senator Kelly Ayotie and US Representative Charthe Base



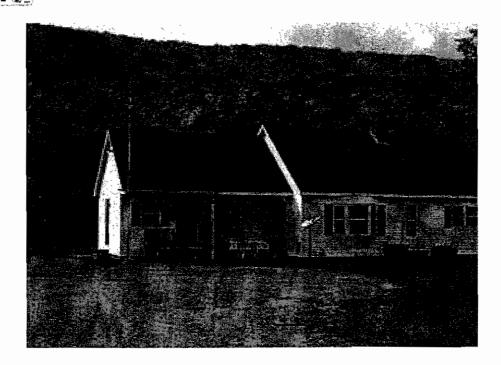
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#### Post Office Deliveries To Appalachian Trail May Stop

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**GLENCLIFF**, **N.H**. — The United States Postal Service is trying to determine whether it will close or consolidate a post office in the White Mountains.

A hearing is scheduled to be held Tuesday evening to determine the future of the post office in Glencliff.

It serves as the only post office that can deliver to hikers on the Appalachian Trail in the White Mountains.

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# Postal service may close post office to hikers in the whites

- By Merlyn Seeley, Appalachian Trail Hiking Examiner
- May 27th, 2011 7:49 pm ET

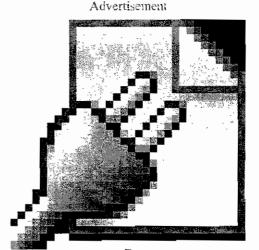
Have you heard the news?! The US Postal Service is thinking about closing the only post office in the White Mountains. In fact they may have already done so. There are many closures taking place with the Postal Service because of the turbulent economy. You know it's bad when the mail can't run. This post office is located in the White Mountains. That area is one of the prettiest and hardest to hike on the whole trail. The post office in the spot light is located in a village.

The village of Glencliff, New Hampshire, this post office is the only one in the whites that is accessible to the Appalachian Trail. AT hikers use this post office quite extensively for mail drops. Once north bound hikers reach this point they are more than half way through the trail and will need to pick up supplies and mail items home they no longer need. They do this via mail drops, the post office there in Glencliff is very important to the AT and its hikers.

According to the US Postal Service's website the post office in Manchester, NH, is being absorbed into the Northern New England District Office, in Portland. (Formerly named the Maine District Office) That means there will be no more mail drops in the Whites. And it means that hikers will have to find some alternative to getting items they need and need to mail home on this area of the trail. There is however hiker hostels in the area where a hiker can sometimes have mail drops sent and items mailed off.

The potential problem there though is that most hostels do not want to deal with the added responsibility of guarding hiker's mail so some hostels opt out of that service. We can only hope that the US Postal Service thinks about the impact that closing this office will have on the Appalachian Trail community. If you want to help there is a phone number that you can call, it will connect you to the Mid-American US Postal Office located in Kansas City, Missouri. You will get to talk their human resources department.

You can call them and tell them what you feel about closing this office and how it will impact the trail and you as well as how important that the post office is there. Being such a small community, Glencliff, the Postal Service may not know just how important that post office



is. Every year thousands of hikers use their services for mailing and mail drops pick-up. Call this number to the Mid-America office: M-F before 5pm 816-374-9194.

# Move to close Glencliff PO sparks protests

Post Office every years between been used as a resupply point for May and October for mailing and receiving packages. The post office is located about a quarter of a mile from where the trail crossess Route? And diagonally across the road from the Hikers Welcome Hostel in the middle of summer hikers will be sprawed out in lawn charts by sitting one the grass in Coffice thin thickers coming from Post Office every year between chairs of sitting on the grass in front of the post office opening packages from home removing things from their packs that they no longer need, and mading things

Appalachian Trail Conservancy half days of hiking, Metheny said, northeast executive director Hawk though that's not an unusual Metheny said that the USPS has provided a highly valued public service to hikers through the Glencliff Post Office.

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by Mäggie Carri

GLENCLIFE. The U.S. Postal It is a particularly important
Service is considering closing the resupply point for northbounders Glencliff Post Office as part of its singer its just below the ascent to effort to address multibillion dollar deficits. It is areasy target because it is one of the smallest post offices in the state of New Hampshire with about 50 box holders and it is located in a small village, which is part of Warren.

But between 250 and 400 from relatively lower elevation But between 250 and 400 from relatively lower elevation. Appalachian Trail thru-hikers from summer hiking to higher elevation all over the world use the Glenciuff, hiking in falls. The post office has

he equivalent of about four and



A waypoint on the Appalachian Trail/before the Mount ascent, the lilkers Welcome Hostel is located just across from the Glenciff Post Office. In addition to Glenciff reshiking community is protesting USPS plans to closed the pothat village.

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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515-2902

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July 25, 2011

Kathy Rokowski United States Postal Service 151 Forest Ave, Suite 7022 Portland, ME 04101

Dear Ms. Rokowski,

On behalf of our constituents in Glencliff, New Hampshire, we would like to forward their thoughts on the potential close of the Glencliff Post Office. We hope you will give these letters their due consideration.

Sincerely,

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Charles F. Bass Member of Congress

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Per Harold Parker at Congressman

Bass's office - response

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Honorable Congressman Charles Bass 114 North Main Street, Ste 200 Concord, NH 03301

Dear Representative Bass,

The U.S. Postal Service has informed your constituents who live and/or work in the Village of Glencliff (Town of Warren) New Hampshire that their Post Office, the Glencliff Post Office (03238), will be closed.

As you may know, current law prohibits the Postal Service from closing or consolidating a Post Office solely because the individual Post Office may have expenses that exceed revenue. Congress created this safeguard against terminating a Post Office for two reasons. First, the law protects small and rural communities – postal-dependent areas – from wholesale Post Office closures that will have a dramatic adverse impact on the communities. Second, Post Offices are part of a universal communications network. Each unit cannot be evaluated independently, since revenue for a mail piece may be earned in one community and the value added in delivery is accrued in another. In order to ensure nondiscriminatory mail service throughout the nation, Congress obligates the Postal Service to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns where Post Offices are not self-sustaining. In our view, the Postal Service's proposal to close the Glencliff Post Office will reduce mail service to your constituents. It is also important to note that, according to the Postal Regulatory Commission, maintaining all small and rural Post Offices amounts to less than 0.7% of the Postal Service's operating budget.

The Postal Service may propose a number of options—none of them are acceptable. The first and current proposal by the Postal Service is to close the Glencliff Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route carrier under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located 10 miles round-trip away. This type of service would require us to await the letter carrier at our mail box to receive retail postal services, which could include certified mail, express mail, and postal money orders. We will lose our community identity and this would have a dramatic impact on our community's economy. Other proposals which may be made in the future include: a community postal unit manned by unqualified personnel or a rural or cluster box service. Clearly, none of these options are what Congress had in mind when it required the Postal Service to provide "a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns".

There has been a Post Office in Glencliff since 1870 (141 years). Since 1937 it has served the hikers on the 2,181-mile long Appalachian Trail, our nation's first National Scenic Trail. It is one of only two Post Offices within easy walking distance of New Hampshire's 160 miles of the Appalachian Trail. Due to Glencliff's location as the last stop before A.T. hikers reach exposed mountains above tree line for the first time in their journey; it is vital for facilitating the change-out from summer to winter gear and resupply. The proposed rural route carrier would be unworkable for these hundreds of yearly trail hikers.

We appreciate your concern for your constituents in Glencliff and hope that you will aggressively fight to protect the Glencliff Post Office.

Sincerely,

Printed Name EUNICE M. RAMSAY
Address Box 26
City, State, Zip GLENCLIFF, N.H.O3238
Telephone # 663 -989 5864
Email
Date Tuly 24, 2011



August 9, 2011

Eunice Ramsay PO Box 26 Glencliff NH 03238-0026

Dear Ms. Ramsay,

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August 9, 2011

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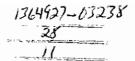
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August 9, 2011

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Honorable Congressman Charles Bass 114 North Main Street, Ste 200 Concord, NH 03301

Dear Representative Bass,

The U.S. Postal Service has informed your constituents who live and/or work in the Village of Glencliff (Town of Warren) New Hampshire that their Post Office, the Glencliff Post Office (03238), will be closed.

As you may know, current law prohibits the Postal Service from closing or consolidating a Post Office solely because the individual Post Office may have expenses that exceed revenue. Congress created this safeguard against terminating a Post Office for two reasons. First, the law protects small and rural communities – postal-dependent areas - from wholesale Post Office closures that will have a dramatic adverse impact on the communities. Second, Post Offices are part of a universal communications network. Each unit cannot be evaluated independently, since revenue for a mail piece may be earned in one community and the value added in delivery is accrued in another. In order to ensure nondiscriminatory mail service throughout the nation, Congress obligates the Postal Service to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns where Post Offices are not self-sustaining. In our view, the Postal Service's proposal to close the Glencliff Post Office will reduce mail service to your constituents. It is also important to note that, according to the Postal Regulatory Commission, maintaining all small and rural Post Offices amounts to less than 0.7% of the Postal Service's operating budget.

The Postal Service may propose a number of options-none of them are acceptable. The first and current proposal by the Postal Service is to close the Glencliff Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route carrier under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located 10 miles roundtrip away. This type of service would require us to await the letter carrier at our mail box to receive retail postal services, which could include certified mail, express mail, and postal money orders. We will lose our community identity and this would have a dramatic impact on our community's economy. Other proposals which may be made in the future include: a community postal unit manned by unqualified personnel or a rural or cluster box service. Clearly, none of these options are what Congress had in mind when it required the Postal Service to provide "a maximum degree of effective and regular mail service to rural areas, communities and small towns".

There has been a Post Office in Glencliff since 1870 (141 years). Since 1937 it has served the hikers on the 2,181-mile long Appalachian Trail, our nation's first National Scenic Trail. It is one of only two Post Offices within easy walking distance of New Hampshire's 160 miles of the Appalachian Trail. Due to Glencliff's location as the last stop before A.T. hikers reach exposed mountains above tree line for the first time in their journey; it is vital for facilitating the change-out from summer to winter gear and resupply. The proposed rural route carrier would be unworkable for these hundreds of yearly trail hikers.

We appreciate your concern for your constituents in Glencliff and hope that you will aggressively fight to protect the Glencliff Post Office.

Sincerely, Sancy Forte Ow

Printed Name Charles + Nancy Foote Address P.O. Box 4

City, State, Zip Glencliff, NH 03238 Telephone # 603-989-5911

Email nancy foote 2@ hotmail. com Date July 18, 2011

Dear Rep Charlie Bass, We are appreciative of the interest you have taken in our fight to keep the Glenclift post office open in our little

town. It truly is so instrume tal in holding the fabric of our community together. We're also enclosing a letter from our daughter, Jean, and newspaper articles from a few years past.

Sincerely, Nancy Foote

1364927-03238



August 9, 2011

Charles & Nancy Foote PO Box 4 Glencliff NH 03238-0004

Dear Mr. & Ms. Foote,

Thank you for contacting the United States Postal Service with the concerns of your community regarding the possible discontinuance study at the Glencliff NH Post Office. I appreciate your interest in ensuring that your community continues to have convenient access to essential postal services.

The Postal Service is experiencing significant financial challenges related to declining mail volumes and revenue. In the face of such difficulties, the Postal Service is pursuing solutions and strategies to mitigate the impact. Efforts have focused on improving efficiencies and making sure the processing and delivery networks are as streamlined as possible. We are committed to providing excellent service to all of our customers, and regardless of cost saving measures, that will not change.

All post office discontinuance studies follow strict national guidelines that include a 60 day public posting to allow for community comment. All comments are carefully reviewed by the Postal Service and considered prior to any final decision. A community meeting is also conducted to answer questions and solicit feedback. If the discontinuance is approved by the Postal Service, that decision is posted and the process allows for an appeal to the Postal Regulatory Commission.

If you should have any further questions, feel free to call me at (207) 482-7207.

Sincerely,

Kathy Rokowski

Manager, Consumer Industry & Contact

Northern New England District

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### **Proposal Checklist**

Section I	Responsiveness to Community Postal Needs			
*	Tell what we are doing and why.			
<u> </u>	Is reason for discontinuance justified and documented in the record?			
ast .	If suspended, what type of alternate service customers are now receiving?			
<u></u>	Reason for vacancy and information on postmaster/OIC			
K	Number of customers and type of service they received and will receive.			
×	Hours of service, daily window transaction average, number of permit mailers, and postage meter users.			
× .	Last three fiscal years of revenue and revenue units.			
X	Decline in service workload/reduction in EAS level, if appropriate.			
<u> </u>	Nearest Post Office, office level, miles away, hours of service, number of Post Office boxes available.			
<u> </u>	Administrative/emanating office — office level, miles away, hours of service, number of Post Office boxes available.			
<u></u>	If the nearby/administrative Post Office has a different Post Office box fee schedule, this is stated in the proposal.			
 ∠	Preproposal activities — questionnaires: number of favorable, unfavorable and no opinion responses must equal the total number of questionnaires returned. List customer concerns and Postal Service responses.			
×	Community meeting. Number of customers who attended, customer concerns, and Postal Service responses.			
×	Information on petitions and congressional inquiries included with Postal Service responses.			
NA	Revised proposal states dates and locations the proposal was posted for 60 days. Number of comments received, customer concerns and Postal Service responses.			
	Advantages and disadvantages of proposed alternate service.			
×	Any other pertinent information concerning Postal Service needs.			
Section II	Effect on the Community			
	Brief background of area, community government, population, etc.			
&	Number of businesses, religious institutions, schools, local government offices, social organizations, etc.			
	Was Post Office used as meeting place?			
<u>K</u>	Was Post Office a shelter for a bus stop?			
	Did the Post Office have a public bulletin board?			
<u>*</u>	Were government forms available at the Post Office?			
	Did the Post Office provide assistance to senior citizens, persons with disabilities, etc.?			
<u></u> ×	What is the historical value of the office?			
XL	Is an address change necessary?			
	Will the community identity be preserved?			
	What are the growth trends (flat, up, down)?			
	Were any other nonpostal items identified?			
Section III	Effect on Employees			
	Paragraph explaining about postmaster vacancy/OIC/other career and noncareer employees of the office. If a postmaster or other employees are reassigned this must be explained and tell whether the reassignments are voluntary.			

Section IV	Economic Savings
X	A statement of annual savings includes a breakdown as follows:
	Postmaster salary (EAS-53, Minimum, no COLA) \$ 22,2 %
	Fringe benefits 33.5% \$ 7,766
	Rental costs, excluding utilities \$ 4,200
	Total annual costs \$ 33,954
	Less estimated cost of replacement service
	Total annual savings \$ 27,177
A one-time expense of \$	will be/was incurred for installation of CBUs and parcel lockers.
<u></u>	Is postmaster salary based on the minimum salary without COLA?
×-	Does postmaster salary reflect the current office evaluation?
Section V	Other Factors
£ -	The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration (if appropriate).
	List other factors as appropriate.
NA	Other factors when replacement service is a CPO.
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Section VI	Summary
	The proposal must include a brief summary that explains why the closing or consolidation is necessary and an assessment of how those factors supporting the need for change outweigh any negative factors. In taking competing considerations into account, the need to provide a maximum degree of effective and regular service must be paramount.
Section VII	Notices
<u></u>	Appropriate notice is made that this is a proposal and not a final determination. If a final determination is made to discontinue the office, information on the appeal process will be provided at that time.
Checklist Completed By:	1.1
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Investigative Coordinator	Date
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Reviewed and Certified By:	4/2/24
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District PO Review Coordinator	Date



06/01/2011

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND PUBLIC POLICY 475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW RM 10804 WASHINGTON DC 20260-3500

SUBJECT: Posting of the Proposal to Close the GLENCLIFF Post Office Docket No. 1364927

This is to advise you that on 06/14/2011, I will post for public comment a proposal to close the GLENCLIFF Post Office in Grafton, Congressional District No. 2.

If you have any questions, please call JIM MCCARTNEY District Review Coordinator at (207) 482-7168.

Deborah C Esolar

DEBORAH ESSLER
District Manager
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC District

cc: Manager, Customer Service Operations Area Manager, Public Affairs and Communications

Enclosures: PS Form 4920 Proposal



06/08/2011

#### OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Regarding Posting of

GLENCLIFF Proposal Docket No. 1364927 - 03238

Please post the enclosed proposal to close the GLENCLIFF Post Office in the lobby. The proposal must be posted in a prominent place from 06/14/2011 through close of business on 08/15/2011. The posting must last at least 60 days and the first day does not count.

Round-date stamp the cover of the proposal on the date of posting and on the date of removal. Also, post the "Invitation for Comments" next to the proposal and round-date stamp it in the same manner.

Additional copies of the proposal and comment forms are enclosed. Provide them to customers upon request.

Also enclosed is the official record on which this proposal is based. Customers may read it; however, they may not remove it from your office. When a customer requests a copy of the record, provide it upon payment of any fees prescribed in AS-353 Guide to Privacy and the Freedom of Information Act. If you do not have photocopy equipment, take the customer's name, address, and telephone number and contact the district for a copy of the record.

At the expiration of the posting period, further instructions will be provided. If there are any questions, please contact me at (207)

JIM MCCARTNEY

Post Office Review Coordinator

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC District

Enclosures: PS Form 4920

Proposal

Invitation for Comments Comment Forms Official Record Date of Posting: 06/14/2011 Date of Removal: 08/15/2011

#### UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO CLOSE THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE AND ESTABLISH SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

To the customers of the Glencliff Post Office:

The Postal Service is considering the close of the Glencliff Post Office for reasons stated in the accompanying proposal.

During the 60-day posting period from 06/14/2011 through 08/15/2011 you are invited to provide written comments. Comments will be most helpful if they offer specific opinions and information favorable or unfavorable regarding the potential effect of the proposed change on postal services and on the community. Your comments will be carefully considered and will be incorporated into the official record, which will be made public if the proposal is finalized.

Copies of the proposal and optional comment forms are available upon request at the Glencliff Post Office. If you choose to use the optional comment form and need additional space, please attach additional sheets of paper.

Please return the comment form to:

JIM MCCARTNEY 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

For more information, you may call JIM MCCARTNEY at (207) 482-7168 or write to the above address.

Thank you for your assistance.

LEIGH ST PIERRE- TRIBUNO 151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

Date of Posting: 06/14/2011

Posting Round Date:

Date of Removal: 08/15/2011

Removal Round Date:

PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

DOCKET NUMBER 1364927 - 03238

Concern:

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Response:

#### I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Glencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.

The Glencliff Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 Monday - Friday, 07:00 to 13:00 Saturday and lobby hours of 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 on Monday - Friday and 07:00 to 13:00 on Saturday to 52 post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 12 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$11,875 ( 31 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$13,322 ( 35 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$11,342 ( 30 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were no permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On May 24, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at the Warren Town Hall to answer questions and provide information to customers. 21 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On April 26, 2011, 55 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Glencliff Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Glencliff Post Office. 31 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 7 favorable, 16 unfavorable, and 8 expressed no opinion.

A petition supporting the retention of the Glencliff Post Office was received on May 20, 2011, with 9 signatures. If this proposal is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Warren Post Office, an EAS-13 level office. Window service hours at the Warren Post Office are from 07:30 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:00, Monday through Friday, and 07:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. There are 83 post office boxes available.

The following concerns were expressed on the returned questionnaires, at the community meeting, from customer letters, on the petition, and from the congressional inquiry:

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Response:	Thank you for your questionnaire in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25
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Customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to 3. Concern: weigh and rate letters and packages The customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier Response: to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate. Customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin Concern: board at the PostOffice. The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community Response: bulletin board at the Post Office, A community bulletin board is available at the Warren Post Office for use by the residents. Customers expressed concern for those customers with disabilities who 5. Concern: are not able to go to adminoffice Post Office to pick up their mail The customer expressed a concern about those customers with Response: disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. These services will be provided by the carrier to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster. Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route 6. Concern: Response: The customer expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day. 7. Concern: Customers were concerned about a change of address The customer expressed a concern about mail addressed to Glencliff Response: Home residents. Customers who retain Po Box service would continue to use their same mailing address and box number when moved to the Warren Post Office. Customers who elect to receive roadside delivery will be assigned a 911 address. The new address will use the Warren name and 03279 ZIP Code. Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change 8. Concern: Customers were concerned about later delivery of mail Response: The customer expressed a concern about delivery time. A customer's location on a carrier's line of travel determines the time of day mail is delivered. This, of course, precludes providing early delivery of mail to every customer because, no matter how we structure a route, somebody must be last. We do, however, carefully consider the volume of mail for each route so that we can deliver the greatest amount of mail at the earliest possible hour. With the largest fleet of delivery vehicles in the world we must pay special attention to energy conservation measures, to minimize vehicle and fuel expenses. When the price of gasoline goes up one cent per gallon our total gasoline cost rises more than \$8 million. Therefore, when structuring a route, we must balance

> our goal to deliver as much mail as possible as early as possible with the need to minimize the travel distance a route must cover.

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Customers were concerned about mail security

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Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

The customer are concerned about obtaining services from the carrier. Retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

#### **PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL**

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

#### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

#### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

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Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the Post Office.

Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis indicated the office level had declined and qualified for less hours of service per week. Carrier service will provide 24-hour access to the mail.

Customers were concerned about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows

The customer expressed a concern about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows. Please contact the administrative postmaster to determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

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summer gear. Response: The Post Office is proud to be a part of the Appalachian Trail hikers experience. Of the 129 post offices listed on the trail, 11 are in New Hampshire. Warren at 4.8 miles and Lyme Center at 1.2 miles off the trail are local offices that would be capable of servicing the hikers. Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while 17. Concern: others were retained Response: Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means. Customers expressed a concern for the Appalachian Trail thru hikers 18. Concern: and Glencliff Home for the Elderly. The Glencliff Post Office is one of 11 post offices in New Hampshire Response: listed on the Appalachian Trail. They range from ten miles to under one mile off the trail. The Warren Post Office is one of the eleven listed at 4.8 miles off the trail. The Glencliff Home would be able to retain its Post Office Box mailing address. It may also be at no fee due to non delivery to the street for the area and town in which it resides. Customers felt inclement weather and poor road conditions might 19. Concern: impede delivery Both inclement weather and heavy mail volume can cause deviations Response: from the normal delivery schedule. However, the carrier is required to provide a vehicle of adequate size, equipped with necessary equipment (chains or snow tires, warning lights or signs, etc.) to serve the route safely and efficiently and in accordance with federal, state, and local motor vehicle laws and regulations. Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed 20. Concern: discontinuance Response: Carrier service is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates a positive annual savings. Customers wanted to know what do they have to do to keep the Post 21. Concern: Office open. Response: Everything you are doing now. Answering questionnaires with comments and concerns. Attending this community meeting. Also, if there is a final determination to close, you will have the option of appealing the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission. You expressed a concern about getting rural delivery service to your 22. Concern: homes location. Response: There are several guidelines which must be met prior to a road being approved for delivery. The road to be traveled must be at least 14 feet wide and maintained at all times of the year. It cannot dead end in a private driveway even if the drive is maintained by a municipality. There must be a suitable turning point provided for the carrier, preferably with no backing. If backing is involved, there are other guidelines to adhere to. If backing is necessitated, the Postmaster must verify it is in a low-traffic area and there are no children in the immediate vicinity on a regular basis. There must also be a minimum of one family per one-half mile of travel.

Customer concerned with the safety of hikers picking up winter or

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### Some advantages of the proposal are:

1.	The rural or contract delivery carrier may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post
_	office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.
2.	Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.
3.	Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
4.	CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient parcel delivery for customers.
5.	Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees.

Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

#### Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

1.	The loss of a retail outlet and a postmaster position in the community. Retail services may be provided
	by the rural or contract delivery carrier.
2.	Meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier at the box to transact business. However, it is not
	necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.
3.	A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A
	carrier route address will be assigned.
4.	A change in your PO Box Fees may be a result of this proposal.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

### II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Glencliff is an unincorporated community located in Grafton County. The community is administered politically by Warren Selectboard. Police protection is provided by the Warren Police Officer. Fire protection is provided by the Warren Volunteer Fire Department. The community is comprised of self employed, retirees, commuters., and those who commute to work at nearby communities and work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Glencliff Community Chapel, Glencliff Improvement Coop., Hikers Welcome Hostel, Glencliff Home for the Elderly, Backwoods Sugar House, Walt's Auto & Marine, Timberland Construction. Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Glencliff Post Office will be available at the Warren Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Warren Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed on the returned questionnaires, at the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

Concern:	Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and information center.
Response:	The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.
Concern:	Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and information center.
Response:	The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.
Concern:	Customers expressed concern for loss of a community gathering place.
Response:	Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at the Willing Workers Hall and residences in town.
	Response:  Concern: Response:  Concern:

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will not adversely affect the community.

#### III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES

The postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected.

#### IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$27,171 with a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA) Fringe Benefits @ 33.5% Annual Lease Costs			\$ 22,288 \$ 7,466 + \$ 4,200
Total Annual Costs Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service			\$ 33,954 <u>- \$ 6.783</u>
Total Annual Savings	_	<u>.</u> ~	\$ 27,171

#### V. OTHER FACTORS

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

#### VI. SUMMARY

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Glencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. Post office workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Glencliff Post Office provided delivery and retail service to 52 PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 12. There are no permit mailers or postage meter customers.

There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a post office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$27,171 annually. A disadvantage to some may be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with a rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this proposal is warranted.

#### VII. NOTICES

- Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this proposal is based are available for public inspection at the Glencliff
  Post Office and Warren Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. This is a proposal. It is not a final determination to close this post office. If a final determination is made to close this post office, after public comments on this proposal are received and taken into account, a notice of that final determination will be posted in this office.

The final determination will contain instructions on how affected customers may appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission. Any such appeal must be received by the commission within 30 days of the posting of the final determination.

LEIGH ST PIERRE- TRIBUNO
Manager, Post Office Operations

06/14/2011
Date

## **Optional Comment Form**

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office.

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Name o	f Postal Customer		Signature of Postal Customer
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# Do Not Close the Glencliff, NH Post Office

We, the undersigned citizens and customers of the Glencliff Post Office, hereby protest any change in the status of our post office.

We want to keep our post office open and operating in its present status—as a United States post office operated by the postmaster and his or her employee(s).

Our post office is the focal point of our little village and serves as a place for people to meet and catch up while getting their mail. The population of Glencliff is small, but there are a lot of other people who depend on the service our post office supplies. The Glencliff P.O. is a very important way station for Appalachian Trail thru-likers and section-likers who need to be able to receive and mail home packages containing provisions and seasonal equipment. An estimated 250 to 400 thru-likers use the post office every year between May and October. The Glencliff Home for the Elderly also uses our post office for receiving and mailing letters and packages for its hundred-some residents.

We do not accept your proposed change in service, namely, that you will offer us the use of rural carriers to meet our delivery and mailing needs. This will not be convenient and will not provide the flexibility and access to services that we require. Many of us do not have the luxury of waiting at home for the rural carrier to come by so that we can buy stamps or mail packages. Rural delivery will not give us the confidence we currently enjoy in knowing that important pieces of mail are safe in our locked post office boxes and not out on the road where anyone can tamper with them. And if you want to suggest that we get a post office box at one of the closest post offices in Warren (4.8 miles away) or Pike (6.8 miles away), you forget that the winters up this way are often very nasty, and a lot of us count on being able to walk to the post office when winter storms make driving dangerous. Rural delivery will not not work at all for the Appalachian Trail hikers or non-resident box holders.

You may cite the Postal Reorganization Act of 1970 to justify closing our small post office based on a lack of revenue, but you have not proposed a level of service that will meet the needs of our small community.

We do not feel your proposal meets your criteria.

Additional Comments:			
Please do not close the Glencliff Post Office!			
Date 6/14/2011			
Printed Name/Title (if any)	Joseph Licciardi		
Address	Joseph Licciardi 282 Main St. Durham NH 03824		
	Signature (on appropriate line below)		
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P.O. Box 16 Glencliff, NH 03238 (603) 989-0087

June 16, 2011

Jim McCartney Post Office Review Coordinator 151 Forest Avenue Portland, ME 04101-7030

Dear Mr. McCartney:

I am enclosing the original petition that has been posted in the Glencliff Post Office for the past three or four weeks, and I ask you to make sure that this gets included in the official record of the closure proceedings.

I will be keeping copies of these signature sheets and will also be contacting my congressman, Charlie Bass, once again and asking him to take action to support us in our battle to keep our post office open.

I wish you well.

Sincerely,

Helen Maggie Carr

Helen M. Carr

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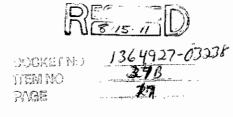
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August 11, 2011

James J. McCartney, USPS 151 Forest Avenue Portland, ME 04101

Dear Mr. McCartney,

Enclosed are signed petitions requesting that the Glencliff, NH post office be kept open. This post office is an important resource for Appalachian Trail thru hikers, who depend on mail drops along the trail for resupply of food and equipment/

These petitions were signed at the Appalachian Trail Museum and the Pine Grove Furnace General Store, both located in Pine Grove Furnace State Park, Gardners PA, at the halfway point of the Appalachian Trail. Many of the individuals represented on the petitions are thru hikers themselves.

Please keep this post office open.

Sincerely,

Margaret Schmidt Manager

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# Petition to stop the closure of the Glencliff, NH Post Office

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U.S. Postal Service 1.3.P.
Vice President of Area Operations
6 Griffin Road North
Windsor, CT 06006-7010

Dear Vice President of Area Operations:

We, the undersigned citizens and frequent customers of the Glencliff Post Office, hereby protest any change in the status of our post office.

We want to keep our post office open and operating in its present status—as a United States post office operated by the postmaster and his or her employee(s).

We do not accept your proposed change in service, namely, that you will offer us the use of rural carriers to meet our delivery and mailing needs. This will not be convenient and will not provide the flexibility and access to services that we require. Many of us do not have the luxury of waiting at home for the rural carrier to come by so that we can buy stamps or mail packages. Rural delivery will not give us the confidence we currently enjoy in knowing that important pieces of mail are safe in our locked post office boxes and not out on the road where anyone can tamper with them. And if you want to suggest that we get a post office box at one of the closest post offices in Warten (4.8 miles away) or Pike (6.8 miles away), you forget that the winters up this way are often very nasty, and a lot of us count on being able to walk to the post office when winter storms make driving dangerous.

Our post office is the focal point of our little village and serves as a place for people to meet and catch up while getting their mail. The population of Glencliff is small, but there are a lot of other people who depend on the service our post office supplies. The Glencliff P.O. is a very important way station for Appalachian Trail thru-hikers who need to be able to receive and mail home packages containing provisions and personal items. An estimated 250 to 400 thru-hikers use the post office every year between May and October. The Glencliff Home for the Elderly also uses our post office for receiving and mailing letters and packages for its hundred-some residents.

You may one the Postal Reorganization Act of 1970 to justify closing our small post office based on a lack of revenue, but you have not proposed a level of service that will meet the needs of our small community.

We do not feel your proposal meets your criteria.

Sincerely.

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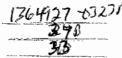
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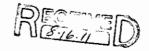
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P.O. Box 28 Glencliff, NH 03238 (603) 989-5858



August 12, 2011

Jim McCartney
Post Office Review Coordinator
Northern New England District
151 Forest Avenue
Portland, ME 04101-7030

Dear Mr. McCartney:

I am enclosing some more signed petitions to be added to those sent in by Maggie Carr on June 16. Please make sure that these get included in the official record of the closure proceedings.

I also include a copy of a letter I sent to our U.S. Representative, Charlie Bass.

Sincerely,

Philip Belyea

Philip Belyea P.O. Box 28 Glencliff, NH 03238 (603) 989-5858



August 12, 2011

The Honorable Representative Charles Bass 114 North Main Street, Suite 200 Concord, NH 03301

RE: The closing of the Glencliff (NH) Post Office

Dear-Mr. Bass:

I am Philip Belyea, postmaster (retired) from Glencliff, NH. I spent 37 years at the office, and I believe I know as much about this office as anyone around. I stayed here because I liked the job and especially the people of this town.

Because I retired, the Postal Service is using the fact that the post is vacant as an excuse for trying to close the Glencliff Post Office. (See enclosed list of excuses.) I knew two people who would have applied for my position but the Postal Service never posted the job. Instead they filled it with another employee who in addition to her salary is also getting paid approximately \$700 per month in travel pay. Based on 12 months (even though she has been here for more than 15 months), this is what it has cost the Postal Service:

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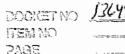
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Add \$1350.05 per month for benefits

And the total salary expense for the year is \$64,835.16 for the year

Added to the cost of employing the present officer in charge is her travel allowance of about \$8,400 per year. Thus the Postal Service's outlay for the present employee is \$73,235.16.

If the Postal Service had posted the job with the total hours per week reduced to 24 hours, or as an EAS-53 grade office, the salary for the position would be \$22,288, with benefits costing \$7,466, or a total of \$29,754. So the cost of the present employee is about two and a half times as much as it would have cost to reconfigure the job to keep the office open.



The Postal Service is blaming its losses on places that are not necessarily the problem and if the small offices are a problem, they are only a small problem compared to the losses incurred by upper management through bad decision-making and poor management—and these kinds of things don't tend to be the target of change.

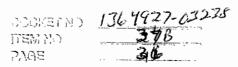
Management makes a lot of mistakes that are very costly to the Postal Service. One example is untrained supervisors messing up schedules at processing plants, and the result is that people are forced into receiving penalty overtime.

To me this is clearly a case of upper management trying to balance the budget through what it sees as the path of least resistance. According to a survey done by one of the postmaster organizations, if you closed all of the small post offices it would only save 7/10 of 1 percent of the Postal Service budget.

One of the excuses for closing small post offices is that the workload has dropped. I wonder if it is not the same in all offices. Management claims that they could save \$27,171 by closing the post office and substituting rural route delivery. Have they studied all the post offices in the surrounding area and compared losses? I requested a profit and loss statement from management to see how the losses at Glencliff compared to losses at other area post offices. I did-not receive the information I had requested about the operating expenses for these offices. This should be public information, yet I am going to have to file an appeal with the General Counsel of the U.S. Postal Service to get this information. If and when I receive the information I requested, it may be too late to use it.

At one time during my postal career, it was stated that 66 offices out of 200 offices operated in the black. If revenue and workload are the issue, it would appear that the size of the office shouldn't necessarily be a factor—because it's possible that other somewhat larger post offices are losing proportionally more money than are the small offices. Is the Postal Service in business to make a profit or to serve the public or what? The mission of the Postal Service seems to have changed over the years, and no one seems to know what they are supposed to be doing. Until they get a clear mission, there will always be trouble.

The district is touting the use of the rural routes as opposed to keeping the post office open. They are trying to sell this as the next best thing to candy. There are going to be problems about where mailboxes will be located. There are no-backing rules, and they may decide to put cluster boxes in one area. The carriers will be instructed not to deliver to boxes if they aren't adequately shoveled. During the public meeting, people asked where their mailbox would be located, and the postal employees weren't prepared to answer that question. For that reason, some of the people who started out supporting the idea of rural carriers when they completed questionnaires for the postal authorities have now changed their minds. They know that mail is not as secure in a rural route box out on the road as it is in a post office box. If people want to continue to have peace of mind about their mail by keeping a post office box, given how the closures are proceeding in



these rural areas, they are going to have to drive out of their way to pick up mail at an inconvenient location.

The Postal Service insults our intelligence when they tell us that they are offering us the benefit of "expanded access" to postal products at large commercial stores that are open longer hours than a regular post office. The Postal Service seems to think that we won't notice that they are replacing the "service" in "Postal Service" with a kind of catch-ascatch-can, patched together "network" of carriers and third-party providers. Missing from the equation is the postal expertise of a career postmaster—something that cannot be bought at a Walmart or a big chain grocery store, which will only be selling stamps and flat-rate priority mail boxes.

But it looks like management has its sights set not so much on their core business of providing a service to customers as on making sure they can continue to collect their high salaries and benefit packages.

Sincerely,

Philip Belyea

Cc: James McCartney, Post Office Review Coordinator, Northern New England District

### SAMPLE LISTING POSSIBLE EXCUSES USED BY UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CLOSE AND/OR CONSOLIDATE POST OFFICES

- 1. Fail to renew leases with existing lessors and provide alternate post office building
- 2. Postmaster vacancy (Retirement, Death, or Promotion) (CLOSE)
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- 4. Promote Postmaster, move rural carrier to another office (CLOSE)
- 5. Post notice and close office same day-fail to follow law
- 6. Post Office located in-home of retiring Postmaster--fail to provide another Post Office location
- 7. Using emergency suspension of service--not seeking alternative site or post office
- 8. Placing intermediate highway contract route in head out office
- Consolidating rural routes from several post offices into one. Closing local offices and/or downgrading
- 10. Current location in flood plain, no other alternate site available
- 11. Any reason to close or reduce number of employees
- 12. Transfer clerks to another office, not permitting Postmaster to hire replacements
- 13. Change in highway location
- 14. Placing cluster boxes at Post Office--close the next day
- 15. No bathroom
- 16. Fire-Post Office burned
- 17. Flood--Post Office washed away
- 18. Refusal to renew lease contracts or seeking new contracts

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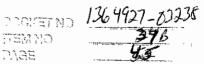
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08/15/2011

### OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER

SUBJECT: Instructions for Posting the "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments Under Internal Consideration"

At the close of business on 08/15/2011 take down the "Proposal" and the "Invitation for Comments" from the lobby. Round-date stamp them upon removal and verify that the mandatory 60-day posting period was observed. The proposal and invitation for comments must be posted for at least 60 days, and the first day does not count.

On the same day, prominently post in the lobby the enclosed "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments Under Internal Consideration." The notice should remain posted until you receive further notice from this office.

Please return the posted "Proposal," "Invitation for Comments," the official record, and any related discontinuance materials to this office.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

**ЛМ MCCARTNEY** 

Post Office Review Coordinator

151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

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### UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE



INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

To the customers of the Glencliff Post Office:

The Postal Service is considering the close of the Glencliff Post Office for reasons stated in the accompanying proposal.

During the 60-day posting period from 06/14/2011 through 08/15/2011 you are invited to provide written comments. Comments will be most helpful if they offer specific opinions and information favorable or unfavorable regarding the potential effect of the proposed change on postal services and on the community. Your comments will be carefully considered and will be incorporated into the official record, which will be made public if the proposal is finalized.

Copies of the proposal and optional comment forms are available upon request at the Glencliff Post Office and Warren Post Office . If you choose to use the optional comment form and need additional space, please attach additional sheets of paper.

Please return the comment form to:

JIM MCCARTNEY 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

For more information, you may call JIM MCCARTNEY at (207) 482-7168 or write to the above address.

Thank you for your assistance.

JOHN CANTWELL 151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

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PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
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### **UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE**



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PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
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### NOTICE OF TAKING PROPOSAL AND COMMENTS UNDER INTERNAL CONSIDERATION

Date 08/15/2011

Postal Customers of the Glencliff Post Office: The Postal Service appreciates receiving the views of those of you who submitted comments on the proposal to close the Glencliff Post Office, which was posted 06/14/2011 through 08/15/2011. These comments will be considered carefully as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels within the Postal Service.

When a final decision is made by the Postal Service, that decision will be posted in place of this notice. If the decision is to approve the proposal, any customer of the Glencliff Post Office who disagrees will have the right to appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission in Washington, DC.

Sincerely,

JOHN CANTWELL 151 FOREST AVE

PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

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### **Optional Comment Form**

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office.

1. Effect on Your Postal Services. Describe any favorable or unfavorable effects you believe the proposal would have on the regularity or effectiveness of your postal services.

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2. Effect on Your Community. Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community.

3. Other Comments. Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal.

Signature of Postal Customer

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- 1. Effect on Your Postal Services: We are in favor of having rural route delivery service. Being business owners we run into numerous problems having to have a post office box and a physical street address. Some of the companies we have dealt with require us to indicate the address which is on our credit card billing which we have to indicate our PO box and then we don't get the delivery because they ship either UPS or FedEx and giving them our physical street doesn't show up because they have to go by our legal postal address and our physical address comes up invalid with the postal service, therefore our items do not get shipped. Also, we know some residents do not care for this change because they live right there by the post office and they walk there however although we may live approx ½ mile away, we cannot walk there as we receive packages for our business, some heavy in weight and not convenient to walk and carry packages. We also have had rural delivery most of our lives where we lived before and use to that service. Due to the business, we must pick up our mail almost everyday and having to go out in winter is really inconvenient. We currently purchase our postal needs online such as stamps, we print up our shipping labels online and we also frequently mail packages out for the business and would be more convenient to have them picked up at our business rather taking the time to travel to the post office.
- 2. Effect on your Commmunity: we believe rural delivery would be more convenient for the elderly or the handicapped who have a hard time getting to the post office to get their mail, especially in winter, and also people who work out of the area and cannot make it there during business hours there mail would be at their home waiting. We do not believe by closing this office it would have a negative effect on this community. We find this office to be more of a social gathering place and find the postal employee has very little work to do, therefore closing this office does not appear to be a major negative effect as they can meet at one another's homes to be social. I do not find a hardship for the hikers either as they can still receive/send their mail at the Hikers Welcome, Glencliff has no other business accessible to them and they usually go to Warren anyway for the store/restaurants.
- 3. We feel right now we have no choices as to whether we would like home delivery where as if the Glencliff office were to close the residents who like to go to the PO could still have that choice a few miles down the road and and the residents who would like home delivery could choose that. Our only concern is to be where the boxes will be located. Being a business and mailing/receiving packages and having to have a box located at the end of our road on a major route would cause a hardship. Our road meets your qualifications although it is a dead end road we have spoken to the towns road agent and he maintains our road and makes a large enough turn around at the end so can turn the town trucks around without having to use or back in a private driveway so we feel there would be no hardship for the rural carrier to enter our road for delivery



06/30/2011

WALT & CHERYL PASKAVITCH PO BOX 45 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

## Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments to the proposal to close the Glendliff Post Office. Your comments are appreciated and will be carefully considered, along with the comments of other customers, as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels of the Postal Service.

I realize with change there is always concern. However we are confident that the alternate service listed in the proposal will continue to provide you with effective and regular service.

If you have additional questions or comments, please feel free to contact Jim McCartney at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office.

- believe the proposal would have on the regularity or effectiveness of your postal services. I foresee NO favorable effects on my postal services, From what I understand I will have to travel to the Warren P.O. each time I receive a package to large to fit in my mailbox.

  Will my mail be available to me at 8:30 nm? Probably not. You have not been honest with many of the postal customers who live on Dead End roads (of which there are I in town.) There are almost a dozen families who believe you are going to deliver to them when in fact it won't happen. I don't believe you were honest with us, just telling us bare minimum of the real facts.
- 2. Effect on Your Community. Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community.

  The closing of our post office will devistate our community. Your proposal to have us meet at a Hath, Church or home is a proposterou: Suggestion!

  Since receiving the Proposal to Close the Glencliff P.O. I have personally talked to 18 A-t hikers AT the post office. Every single one of them was stunned goor disappointed that this important post office is facing closure.
- Other Comments. Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal. The fact that the people of the United States of America will be saving \$27,000 per year if indeed that 15 the correct amount) is a drop in a bucket. How much money did the USPS opend to get everyone to the meeting we had in warren to discuss the closure? Why don't you stop picking on the little gys at look at the top of the ladder!

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Glencliff NH 03238  City, State, and ZIP Code	June 23, 2011  Date
City, State, and ZIP Code	// Date



07/21/2011

NANCY FOOTE
PO BOX 4
GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

## Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments to the proposal to close the Glencliff Post Office. Your comments are appreciated and will be carefully considered, along with the comments of other customers, as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels of the Postal Service.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed a concern about cutting management positions from the top down instead of taking services away from
  customers. The Postal Service organizational "redesign" is aimed at cutting some 3,000 administrative positions, or almost 21
  percent of the total management employees.
- You expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport. For carrier pick up of packages, you can contact the administrative Post Office, letting the carrier know that you have a package available for pick up. The carrier can deviate from the line of travel in order to receive packages. The rural carrier will accept letters, flats or packages up to 13 ounces for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate. Packages over 13 ounces may be picked up if the postage was printed online or with a traceable meter.

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre-Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office.

1.	Effect on Your Postal Services. Describe any favorable or unfavorable effects you believe the proposal would have on the regularity or effectiveness of your postal services. I would not like having my mail in a road ride boy on a down highway in all kinds of weather as a prosed to having it recure in a boy in the post office. If I am out of town for a few days (which I frequently any) my mail is recure at the post office.
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07/21/2011

CHARLES FOOTE
PO BOX 4
GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

## Dear Postal Service Customer:

Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments to the proposal to close the Glendiff Post Office. Your comments are appreciated and will be carefully considered, along with the comments of other customers, as the matter is reviewed further in my office and at higher levels of the Postal Service.

In response to your letter:

- You expressed concern about having to erect a rural mailbox. Customers are not required to erect rural mailboxes. Customers
  may receive PO Box service from the Warren Post Office or another location that is more convenient.
- You expressed a concern about the loss of the Communities' identity. A community's identity derives from the interest and
  vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the
  use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.
- You expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and an information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at the other businesses, churches and residences in town.

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BEVERLY WRIGHT PO BOX 52 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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In response to your letter:

- You are concerned about the one dollar fee charged for stamps ordered on line, Stamps ordered online are assessed a one dollar fee whether 1 book or multiple books are ordered. You also can choose from various designs, Stamps by mail or from your carrier carry no extra fee.
- You expressed a concern about the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance. Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change.

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Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

151 FOREST AVE

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## I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Glencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.

The Glencliff Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 Monday - Friday, 07:00 to 13:00 Saturday and lobby hours of 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 on Monday - Friday and 07:00 to 13:00 on Saturday to 52 post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 12 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$11,875 (31 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$13,322 (35 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$11,342 (30 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were no permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On May 24, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at the Warren Town Hall to answer questions and provide information to customers. 21 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On April 26, 2011, 55 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Glencliff Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Glencliff Post Office. 31 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 7 favorable, 16 unfavorable, and 8 expressed no opinion.

A petition supporting the retention of the Glencliff Post Office was received on May 20, 2011, with 9 signatures. If this proposal is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Warren Post Office, an EAS-13 level office. Window service hours at the Warren Post Office are from 07:30 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:00, Monday through Finday, and 07:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. There are 83 post office boxes available.

The following concerns were expressed on the returned questionnaires, at the community meeting, from customer letters, on the petition, and from the congressional inquiry:

Response:	Thank you for your questionnaire in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25
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Customer expressed a concern about service to hikers on the Appalachian Trail.

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Where real sawing could be found through out the department such as salteries, benefits, and even closing all post offices on saturday.

If this proposal is the answer to the US PS's money loset, We should be making major changes in the administration of this department to bring income in line with expenses.

I look at this proposal like a doctor putting a band aid on a scratch while his patient bleeds to death.

Following are comments I wish to make concerning the proposed discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF Post Office.

- 1. Effect on Your Postal Services. Describe any favorable or unfavorable effects you believe the proposal would have on the regularity or effectiveness of your postal services.

  THE FROPOSED GLOSING OF OUR POST OFFICE AND SUBSTITUTION WITH RURAL ROUTE CARRIER SERVICE IS UNACCEPTABLE. IT IS CLEARLY NOT WHAT CONGRESS HAD IN MIND WHEN IT REQUIRED THE POSTAL SERVICE TO PROVIDE IT A MAXIMUM DEGREE OF EFFECTIVE AND REGULAR MAIL SERVICE TO RUSAL AREAS, COMMUNITIES AND SMALL TOWNS".
- 2. **Effect on Your Community.** Please describe any favorable or unfavorable effects that you believe the proposal would have on your community.

THE POST OFFICE IN GLENCHIF IS THE CENTER OF OUR COMMUNITY.

WE ARE TEN MILES (ROUND TRIP) DISTANT FROM THE TOWN (WARREN) TO WHICH

WE PAY TAXES. WE HAVE OUR OWN COMMUTY BUILDING (THE WILLING WORKERS HALL),

WE A STATE CERTIFIED COMMUTY WATER SYSTEM. WE HAD OUR OWN SCHOOL WHICH IS

NOW THE GIBRICHIEF CHAPEL. WE ARE FEATURED ON EVERY ROAD MAP AND ATLAS OF NH.

WE ARE DESTINATION RELIED ON BY THOUSANDS OF PAST, PRESENTAND FUTURE TRAIL HIKERS.

3. Other Comments. Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal.

U.S. CONGRESSMAN CHARLES BASE IS VIGOROUSLY OFFISED TO THE CLOSING OF OUR POST OFFICE. NH GOVERNOR'S COUNCILOR, RAYMOND BURTON IS VIGOROUSLY OFFICE. THE GRAFTON COUNTY NH COUNTY COMMISSION IS VIGOROUSLY OFFISED TO THE CLOSING OF OUR POST OFFICE. OTHER OFFICENTS INCLUDE THE HYMLACHIAN TRAIL CHISBOURCY, THE DARTMOUTH OUTING CLUB, THE APPRIACHIAN TRAIL CHISBOURCY, THE DARTMOUTH OUTING CLUB, THE APPRIACHIAN TRAIL CHISBOURCY, THE DARTMOUTH OUTING

Name of Postal Customer

ERIC DONES

Mailing Address

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**ERIC JONES** PO BOX 64 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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Sincerely,

Leigh St Pierre- Tribuno Manager, Post Office Operations

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MARGARET JANE JONES PO BOX 64 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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- You expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and an information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at the community Willing Workers Hall, churches and residences in town.

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- serious detrimental effect on hiker resupply point

- People in town will not be able to pick up mail every day = loss of regularity

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- Complete loss of community in town
- Change in habits of residents - the people of Glendiff will abandon USPS services if USPS abandons them.
(e.g., using email and UPS/FEDEX).

- Extreme disconvenience to AT Hikers and AT-related

businesses

3. Other Comments. Please provide any other views or information that you believe the Postal Service should consider in deciding whether to adopt the proposal.

If the post office closes, town folks will no longer use postal services located in warren. UPS and Fed Ex usage as well as email and online services will increase, thereby negatively effecting the USPS bottom line. If the post office leaves, Grenciff residents will reason the foffice.

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Signature of Postal Customer Main Street, Apt. 1 Mailing Address Brook une

City, State, and ZIP Code



07/21/2011

JEAN TAGGART

14 MAIN ST APT F
BROOKLINE, NH 03033

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- You expressed a concern for hiker resupply access. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and
  the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes.
  The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to
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  the trail.
- You expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously each day.

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MATTHEW SCHULMAN 641 MAPLE HILL DR BLUE BELL, PA 19422

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07/25/2011

MARSHA L DOWNS PO BOX 71 GLENCLIFF, NH 03238

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# GRAFTON COUNTY COM

603-787-6941 603-787-2656 Fax 3855 Dartmouth College Highway Box 1 North Haverhill, NH 03774 cmsroffice@co.grafton.nh.us

United States Post Office Northern New England District 151 Forest Ave. Portland, ME 04101-9990 Jim McCartney Post Office Review Coordinator

June 21, 2011

Dear Mr. McCartney

This letter is being sent to notify you that the Grafton County Board of Commissioners strongly opposes the closing of the Glencliff Post Office in Glenciff, New Hampshire. This small rural Post Office serves not only box holders in this community, but also approximately 200 New Hampshire State Glencliff Home employees and 116 Glencliff Home residents, make use of this Post Office.

Appalachian Mountain Club members, hikers and other guests to the area make the most of this Post Office for the pick up and mailing of: correspondence, hiking equipment and various other supplies along the Appalachian Trail system which is a huge benefit to them. It supports their ability to be in touch with friends and family along their long hike.

We request that in an effort to keep the valued services to the residents and passersby in this area, you keep the Glencliff Post Office open. In addition we ask that you keep us informed of the process and decisions made, so that we may continue to give support to the retention of this Post Office for this region.

Sincerely yours,

The Grafton County Commissioners

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June 30, 2011

Grafton County Commissioners 3855 Dartmouth College Highway Box 1 North Haverhill NH 03774-4921

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Post Office Review Coordinator Northern New England District DECP 6/20/11



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# Appalachian Mountain Club

June 9, 2011

Mr. Jim McCartney Post Office Review Coordinator 151 Forest Avenue Portland, Maine, 04101-7030

Dear Mr. McCartney,

On behalf of the Appalachian Mountain Club, I am writing to extend our opposition to the closing of the United States Post office located in Glencliff, NH.

The Appalachian Mountain Club is the oldest conservation and recreation organization in the country, with close to 90,000 members from Maine to Maryland. AMC has been active in the north country of New Hampshire for most of our 132 years as an organization, mapping and maintaining hiking trails, offering hospitality through our lodges and mountain huts, providing environmental education programs for school children, outdoor leadership training, information and safety services, and generally participating in the tourism economy of the region.

The Glencliff Post Office is used as a critical supply route for the Appalachian Trail thru and section hikers who rely on having their food and other supplies available to them. By closing the post office, hundreds, if not thousands of hikers of the Appalachian national Scenic Trail would not have the ability to resupply thus hindering thru-hiking this historic trail.

If further data is required to advocate for the post office remaining open please contact me at 603-466-8124.

Sincerely.

Andrew Norkin

Director of Trails and Recreation Management

Cc: Board of Selectman Warren, NH

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Rural post offices form a lifeline for through-hikers on the Appalachian Trail.

By LORNA COLOUROUN Sunday News Correspondent

WARREN—With much of the trail and most of the summer behind them, the Appalachian Trail hikers resting their weary feet at the Clencliff post office Friday awaited its opening with all the anticipation of a 5-year-old on Christmas morn-

Post offices along the 2.010-mile trail are lifelines to those who hike it from Stone Mountain in Georgia to the peak of Mount Katahdin in Maine. Within the packages three of the hikers were awaiting at Glencliff was their next supply of food to fuel their bodies, and letters from home to fuel their

Philip Belvea, the Glenchif postmaster for 24 years, unlocks the door at precisely 2 p.m. Suzanne "Veto" Hallgan, Deborah "Jersey Girl" Puffer and Bill "Seven Year Itch" Ryan follow him inside, having been waiting patiently for two hours outside, exchanging stories of the trail and plotting out the next phase of their journey. From a pile of more than 50

in the little office, Belyea plucks their booty and they return outside.

"I can't remember what I packed," says Ryan, who hails from Colorado Springs.

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They read cards and letters first, before they delve further into the boxes. Then out comes the stuff they expected — Ramen noodles (lots of them) — and the unexpected — chocolate cookies and money.

Belyea, like his colleagues in Hanover, North Woodstock and Gorbam, have been piling up and doling out packages to AT hikers since the end of May. By

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By Peter Kimbal

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started his first hike of Dave McNeill of Las Vegas. the AT on April 16, 2008 at tam

He expects to Katahdin Georgia. finish at the northern end of the Appalachian Trail on Springer Mounhim in (high ME)(5.267 September.

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The differences Him is that US and Australia cultures are so similar, yet

Ben

understand, he says The AT through NH and ME is

[ wonder some days if I can keep going, But I am looking says. Many days he hikes 10 shape ever. he says. but I to do anything else but hike forward to all the wonderful the hardest section to hilke to 12 hours. 'Tam in the best am mentally tired. I want views in the White Moun on the whole trail." Perren him. He says Perrett States and it is ĝ an interesting revelation for be the United a great cultura this experience frst

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the beginning in Georgia, so yea says Mount Moosilauke is the first mountain above tree line on the trail from from the beginning of the Maine is 398,5 miles. Be-AT at Springer Mountain, Georgia to Glencini is 1777 miles and from Glendliff to the end at Mr Katahdin.

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Like the saying goes. In good weather and bad the mail always gets through ...at the Glenchiff Post Office.



Hocket No 38B rec. 6/30/4

90210 means no more to the superstars whose careers it jettisoned than 03238 does to the residents of Glencliff, New Hampshire. I would argue that our post office is, not only the heart of this community, but its very identity.

Our post office is the one enduring thing that allows us to hold onto the remnants of a once-thriving, mini, industrial metropolis. The trains have gone, the school and businesses followed in the fading steam of the last train but we are still knit together by the foundation our post office provides.

Tourists, New Hampshire's life blood, come here from all over the globe searching for the charm and camaraderie of small New England villages. They spend countless dollars purchasing postcards with pictures of tiny hamlets, portraying with nostalgic undertones, life in a small village, held together by a shared history and the stability of its, ever-present, village post office.

Webster defines stability as, among other things -"resistance to sudden change, dislodgement or overthrow" and "a constancy of character or purpose." Nothing says those things about Glencliff, New Hampshire as clearly as our post office.

The coffee table books of those who are beginning to realize what we've lost in our rush to a glorious future, are filled with images of old general stores, back road gas stations and miniature post offices, some tucked into shops, at the back of hardware stores and front porches of old, fading Victorian houses, a few still standing sentinel on open lots. No matter where the post office is positioned, it is always the center of its town, the heart of its community. It is the same for Glencliff, New Hampshire.

I was not able to attend the meeting whereat the pros and cons of closing our post office were discussed. I did sign a petition supporting the retention of the Glencliff post office, though I seem to remember more signatures on it than the one turned in on May 20 with 9 names attached.

I must add, I found it interesting that, though the residents of Glencliff have been encouraged to continue to meet and socialize in the church building or the Willing Workers Hall - if the post office is closed - this meeting, so important to every single person in Glencliff, actually took place in Warren.

I am writing in response to having read through the paperwork – Docket Number 1364927-03238.

I will attempt to address each, or most, of the concerns expressed and will add some of my own concerns that did not come up at the meeting on May 24, 2011. Since there are so many directions the expressed concerns went, I will address them according to their numbered responses in the aforementioned docket.

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Bullet number 1 and several others, voiced concerns from the hikers on the Appalachian Trail. I am no expert on the trail and its pitfalls and perils but - having sold ice cold soda, bottled water and iced tea from a cooler on our front porch for many years - I do know that Glencliff is situated at a point on the trail at which everything you knew about it changes and it begins to fight back, for that you must chuck the warm, comfortable-weather gear and pick up the rugged stuff for the more demanding trek over the Whites.

The extra, nearly 5, miles to Warren for supplies may not seem like much to those hardy souls who were at the meeting on May 24 but, I can tell you, I have been embraced by hikers, men and women alike who were so grateful not to have to take another step, I can only imagine what lies farther up the AT.

As for bullet number 13. Please, the claim that carrier service would provide me with 24 hour access to the mail is ludicrous at best. I should like someone, anyone, to explain to me how having a carrier gives me 24 hour access to my mail – that statement is so asinine, it is insulting even to see it in print.

And, while I'm annoyed, item number 5 under the heading "Some advantages to the proposal are:" I have a box now — which I do not pay for, are you really suggesting that you're doing me a favor by closing our post office in order to save me the expense of a box? A box, according to bullet number 10, I can retain in Warren, but does not add that I would also then have the pleasure of paying for it.

Under part II EFFECT ON COMMUNITY, item numbers 1 and 3 we are assured we may still be able to gather informally, socialize and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town – and yet, as mentioned before, you did not see fit to schedule the meeting about OUR post office, in one of OUR gathering places.

The truth about our gathering places is, first there must be a decision as to when to meet and where. Then there is the issue of who will take the time to go, hours ahead of the rest of us, to start a fire or open the windows and hit the lights.

The meetings at the post office are by chance and by choice. In effect closing our post office is the same as burning down the only store in town. It's the place where politicians are sized-up and skewered or canonized. All the important weather forecasts are shared and compared. Anything of import, to whichever residents happen to pick up their mail at the same time, is passed on and often acted on before the echoes of their voices disappear on the breeze.

I have been in conversation with the postmaster about having brought my husband home from the hospital and being so socked in by new-fallen snow, I was fearful of my ability to get my husband back to the hospital if he took a turn for the worse before I got my driveway shoveled, only to get home to find one of the guys who overheard the conversation, dropped his plow and cleared it for me before I'd even left the post office. Had we not been there at the same time, I might very well still be shoveling.

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Several concerns over shut-ins receiving their medications before they freeze, melt or overheat, awaiting delivery from their mail box to their doors, need careful consideration. No matter what decision is made in that regard, it will be difficult, if not impossible to convince me that a carrier's part in all these transactions will be more cost-effective than what we already have in place.

Many of my questions are wrapped around figuring out just how the numbers were crunched in order to conclude closing our post office is a better choice than our status quot. For instance, why in your final tally of savings to the USPS, the \$11,342.00 in revenue for 2011 was not subtracted from the Total Annual Savings? I am not a math wizard either but, even I can see, that you must subtract what came in from the final figure if you want to get anywhere close to a realistic Total Annual Savings.

Wouldn't that make the Total Annual Savings, at least from these preliminary numbers \$15,829.00? How can a figure so insignificant – that is, in the vast machinery of the USPS, be enough to not only close our post office but also create untold monetary burdens for the residents affected?

The cost of hiring a carrier for this new route has not been subtracted from the grand total either, nor has any consideration of gas, repair costs or depreciation of his or her vehicle. They must be paid and it is a brand new route, which also has to be factored into the final figure.

The bookkeeping so far leaves much in question. Nothing has been said about how the overload will affect the Warren postal employees. Will closing the Glencliff post office mean they must assume the added burden of Glencliff patrons who want to open a PO Box, without any adjustment in their pay or the Warren post office's hours of operation? What will that do to the grand Total Annual Savings?

Will the added load of extra box holders, the added holiday shipments and the necessary space and manpower to handle all of the extra AT packages cost more than it does now? Will the USPS come back next year or the one following to tell us we must pay to expand the Warren PO because they've run out of room? How do these answers affect the Total Annual Savings for the USPS?

As for the \$8,000,000.00 alluded to in bullet number 8, how was that figure arrived at? Was it figured per day, per week, month, per annum? What? The figure was just thrown out at random and frankly means nothing on it's own. What kind of bookkeeper could get away with just throwing numbers around like that? The IRS would be focused on that sort of bookkeeping with the precision of a laser.

If the USPS expects the residents of Glencliff to believe this is the most cost effective measure the USPS can come up with, I think it only fair that they produce believable accounts that can be compared to the current expense of keeping the Glencliff post office open for business. If the figures are so obscure as to baffle even the slowest resident in town – namely me – how do they expect to prove to us this is, in fact, the best and only solution? They can't even add the numbers up, or maybe I should say, they just seem to be juggling figures, perhaps hoping we will all grow tired of the argument. For the residents of Glencliff, the stakes are too high to grow tired of the argument.

Bullet number 8 also raised the question, how can having a carrier drive to each household in the confines of the village cost less than the current, contracted delivery driver making a single stop at the post office most of the village can, and does walk to?

The environmental impact of not, just the carrier, but also every other person who lives too far from the post office to walk, driving to pick up their mail, would be monstrous. Add to that the impact of those of us who chose a Warren PO Box driving all the way to the Warren PO for our mail and it is even greater, not to mention that in it's effort to cut its gas expenditure by closing our post office, it creates a brand new gas expenditure for those of us who always walk over and pick up our mail.

Many of Glencliff's residents are older Americans and many are on fixed (and I don't mean juggled to make them work) incomes. Paying to install the handy-dandy, long, swinging horizontal pole for the newly necessary mail box-bullet number 14 - is not only an unexpected expense but creates another if the snow plow takes it out, no matter the residents hopes. Who pays for that?

Bullet number 19 talks about the postal carrier's requirement of "providing a vehicle of adequate size, equipped with necessary equipment (chains or snow tires, warning lights or signs, etc.) to serve the route safely and efficiently and in accordance with federal, state and local motor vehicle laws and regulations. Does the USPS not have any financial obligation to the new carrier for any of that? Why is it not factored into the cost of the new operation?

Bullet number 20 simply states – "Carrier service is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility and postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates a positive annual savings." BUT they don't tell us how, they can't even wrestle their own figures into submission and they answered the concern in such a condescending way as to make me grit my teeth. We are not imbeciles in Glencliff and there are a number of bookkeepers and mathematicians who, I am sure find these figures, just as abstract as I do.

Bullet number 22 addresses the issue of the poor saps who happen to live on a road not fitting into the strict parameters of the USPS guidelines for safe deliveries, which means of course they have two choices, well three, actually – they can move, they can spend the enormous amount of money it would take to bring their road up to USPS delivery specs or they can buy a box in the Warren post office.

One of the problems the residents of Glencliff would have thrust upon them if USPS closes our post office is that of printing costs. The USPS should know all about the expense of printing, they do enough of it.

If the Glencliff post office is closed every single person in town would be faced with the cost of reprinting, every business card, invoice, price sheet, receipt, sign, deposit slip and check, to reflect their new address. Closing the Glencliff post office would necessitate reworking contact info on web sites and emails, virtually any correspondence of any kind would have to be changed and I am certain the United States Postal Service is not going to be picking up the tab for us.

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When the Postal Service decides to make a change in a town like Glencliff, the needs, the hardships and the cost to the customer must hold as much importance in the final decision as any other consideration. We are the reason you have jobs, try not to forget that, 03238 should be as important as 90210.

The United States Postal Service is not now, nor ever has been, in the business of heart transplants, once they have cracked open our ribcage and removed the heart that makes the village of Glencliff tick, there will be no going back.

Sincerely,

Maggie Anderson

June 16, 2011

# MANAGER, CONSUMER & INDUSTRY CONTACT NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

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July 25, 2011

Maggie Anderson P.O. Box 37 Glencliff NH 03238-0037

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Thank you for contacting the United States Postal Service with your concerns regarding the discontinuance study at the Glencliff NH Post Office.

The Postal Service is experiencing significant financial challenges related to declining mail volumes and revenue. In the face of such difficulties, the Postal Service is pursuing solutions and strategies to mitigate the impact. Efforts have focused on improving efficiencies and making sure the processing and delivery networks are as streamlined as possible. We are committed to providing excellent service to all of our customers, and regardless of cost saving measures, that will not change.

I recognize your interest in ensuring that you have convenient access to essential postal services. You may be interested to know that the Postal Service has developed a number of convenient options that can save customers a trip to the Post Office. For instance, customers can buy stamps online through our Web sit at <a href="www.usps.com">www.usps.com</a>, by phone at 1-800-STAMP24, or by mail. Our Click-N-Ship service on <a href="www.usps.com">www.usps.com</a> enables customers to print shipping labels with discounted postage for Express Mail and Priority Mail and request items be picked up via our Carrier Pickup program. Customers can also place their mail on hold, file a change-of-address order, or request the redelivery of an item for which a notice was left by calling 1-800-ASK-USPS or visiting <a href="www.usps.com">www.usps.com</a>.

Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns and request consideration for the continuation of the Glencliff NH Post Office. All customer feedback will be given consideration before a final decision is made.

Sincerely,

Kathy Rokowski

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Manager Consumer & Industry Contact

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## **Analysis of 60-Day Posting Comments**

Number of comments returned	
Total questionnaires distributed	9
Favorable comments	1
Unfavorable comments	8
No opinon exprassed	0
Total comments returned	9

## Postal Concerns

The following postal concerns were expressed

Concern (Favorabla):

No Concern

Concern (UnFavorable):

Customar concerned about one dollar fee charged for stamps ordered on line.

You are concerned about the one dollar fee charged for stamps ordered on line. Stamps ordered online are assessed a one dollar fee whether 1 book or multiple books are ordered. You also can choose from various designs. Stamps by mail or from your carrier carry no extra fee.

Concom (UnFavorable):

Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup.

Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carrier will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport. For cerrier pick up of packages, you can contact the administrative Post Office letting the carrier know that you have a package available for pick up. The cerrier can deviate from the line of travel in order to receive packages. The rural carrier will accept fetters, flats or packeges up to 13 ounces for mailing. The camer will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the emount over the estimate, Packages over 13 ounces may be picked up if the postage was printed online or with a traceable meter.

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Concern (UnFavorable):

Customers auggested cutting management positions from the top down instead of taking services away from customers.

The Postal Service organizational "redesign" is aimad at cutting some 3,000 administrative positions, or almost 21 percent of the total management employees.

10. Concern (UnFavorable): Customers were concerned about obteining services from the carrier.

## Response:

The rural carrier provides all the services that are available at the Post Office with the exception of PO Box service and bulk mail ecceptance. This includes stamp sales, package pick up, special services and money order sales.

## Nonpostal Concerns

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed

Concarn (Favorable):
Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed discontinuance.

Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective then maintaining a postal facility and a postinaster position. The Postal Service estimates an annual savings with this change.

Concern (UnFevorable):

Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

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## Response:

A community's Identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community name and ZIP Code in addresses.

Concern (UnFavorable):
 Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an information center.

## Response:

Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at the community Willing Workars Hall, churches and residences in town.

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Posting Round Date:

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PROPOSAL TO CLOSE
THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE
AND ESTABLISH
SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE
(REVISED)

DOCKET NUMBER 1364927 - 03238

### I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Glencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office is being studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.

The Glencliff Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 Monday - Friday, 07:00 to 13:00 Saturday and lobby hours of 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 on Monday - Friday and 07:00 to 13:00 on Saturday to 52 post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 12 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$11,875 ( 31 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$13,322 ( 35 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$11,342 ( 30 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were no permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On May 24, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at the Warren Town Hall to answer questions and provide information to customers. 21 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On April 26, 2011, 55 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Glencliff Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Glencliff Post Office. 31 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 7 favorable, 16 unfavorable, and 8 expressed no opinion.

One congressional inquiry was received on July 28, 2011.

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Response:

A petition supporting the retention of the Glencliff Post Office was received on June 20, 2011, with 197 signatures. If this proposal is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Warren Post Office, an EAS-13 level office. Window service hours at the Warren Post Office are from 07:30 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:00, Monday through Friday, and 07:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. There are 83 post office boxes available.

The following concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, from customer letters, on the petition, and from the congressional inquiry:

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considered to be on the trail.

Customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages

The customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate.

Customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin board at the PostOffice.

The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin board at the Post Office. A community bulletin board is available at the Warren Post Office for use by the residents.

Customers expressed concern for those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to adminoffice Post Office to pick up their mail

The customer expressed a concern about those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. These services will be provided by the carrier to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster.

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Customers were concerned about a change of address

The customer expressed a concern about mail addressed to Glencliff Home residents. Customers who retain Po Box service would continue to use their same mailing address and box number when moved to the Warren Post Office. Customers who elect to receive roadside delivery will be assigned a 911 address. The new address will use the Warren name and 03279 ZIP Code. Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change

Customers were concerned about later delivery of mail

The customer expressed a concem about delivery time. A customer's location on a carrier's line of travel determines the time of day mail is delivered. This, of course, precludes providing early delivery of mail to every customer because, no matter how we structure a route, somebody must be last. We do, however, carefully consider the volume of mail for each route so that we can deliver the greatest amount of mail at the earliest possible hour. With the largest fleet of delivery vehicles in the world we must pay special attention to energy conservation measures, to minimize vehicle and fuel expenses. When the price of gasoline goes up one cent per gallon our total gasoline cost rises more than \$8 million. Therefore, when structuring a route, we must balance our goal to deliver as much mail as possible as early as possible with

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Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

The customer are concerned about obtaining services from the carrier. Retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

### **PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL**

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

### **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

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Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the Post Office.

Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis indicated the office level had declined and qualified for less hours of service per week. Carrier service will provide 24-hour access to the mail.

Customers were concerned about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows

The customer expressed a concern about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows. Please contact the administrative postmaster to determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

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homes location.

You expressed a concern about getting rural delivery service to your

each day.

## Response:

There are several guidelines which must be met prior to a road being approved for delivery. The road to be traveled must be at least 14 feet wide and maintained at all times of the year. It cannot dead end in a private driveway even if the drive is maintained by a municipality. There must be a suitable turning point provided for the carrier, preferably with no backing. If backing is involved, there are other guidelines to adhere to. If backing is necessitated, the Postmaster must verify it is in a low-traffic area and there are no children in the immediate vicinity on a regular basis. There must also be a minimum of one family per one-half mile of travel.

# Some advantages of the proposal are:

1. The rural or contract delivery carrier may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post

office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.

2. Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.

Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for 3.

customers.

4. CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient

parcel delivery for customers.

5. Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees. 6.

Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

## Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

1. The loss of a retail outlet and a postmaster position in the community. Retail services may be provided

by the rural or contract delivery carrier.

2. Meeting the rural or contract delivery carner at the box to transact business. However, it is not

necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.

3. A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A

carrier route address will be assigned.

A change in your PO Box Fees may be a result of this proposal.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

### II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Response:

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Glencliff is an unincorporated community located in GRAFTON County. The community is administered politically by Warren Selectboard. Police protection is provided by the Warren Police Officer. Fire protection is provided by the Warren Volunteer Fire Department. The community is compnised of self employed, retirees, commuters., and those who commute to work at nearby communities and work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Glencliff Community Chapel, Glencliff Improvement Coop., Hikers Welcome Hostel, Glencliff Home for the Elderly, Backwoods Sugar House, Walt's Auto & Marine, Timberland Construction. Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Glendiff Post Office will be available at the Warren Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Warren Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and Concern: information center.

The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and Concern:

information center.

Response: The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place.

Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

Concern: Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

Response: A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to

preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community

name and ZIP Code in addresses.

Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed Concern:

discontinuance.

Response: Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than

maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal

Service estimates an annual savings with this change.

5. Concern: Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an information center.

Response: Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at the community Willing Workers Hall, churches and

residences in town,

6. Concern: Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an

information center.

Response: Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at the other businesses, churches and residences in town.

7. Concern: Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an

information center.

Response: Residents may meet informally, socialize, and share information at the

community Willing Workers Hall, churches and residences in town.

Concern: Customers expressed concern for loss of a community gathering place.

Response: Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at the Willing Workers Hall and residences in town.

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this proposal will not adversely affect the community.



### III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office.

#### IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$ 27,171 with a breakdown as follows:

Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA) Fringe Benefits @ 33.5% Annual Lease Costs	\$ 22,288 \$ 7,466 <u>+ \$ 4,200</u>
Total Annual Costs Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service	\$ 33,954 <u>- \$ 6,783</u>
Total Annual Savings	\$ 27,171

### V. OTHER FACTORS

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

### VI. SUMMARY

The Postal Service is proposing to close the Giencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

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The postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. Post office workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Glencliff Post Office provided delivery and retail service to 52 PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 12. There are no permit mailers or postage meter customers.

There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a post office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$27,171 annually. A disadvantage to some may be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with a rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this proposal is warranted.

## VII. NOTICES

- A. Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this proposal is based are available for public inspection at the Warren Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. This is a proposal. It is not a final determination to close this post office. If a final determination is made to close this post office, after public comments on this proposal are received and taken into account, a notice of that final determination will be posted in this office.

The final determination will contain instructions on how affected customers may appeal that decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission. Any such appeal must be received by the commission within 30 days of the posting of the final determination.

John CANTWELL

06/14/2011

Date



08/29/2011

# MEMO TO THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Certification of the Record

**GLENCLIFF** 

Docket Number 1364927 - 03238

This certifies that all comments and documents enclosed in the attached record are originals, or true and correct copies of the originals.

Deborah C Esoler

DEBORAH ESSLER District Manager

# LOG OF POST OFFICE DISCONTINUANCE ACTIONS

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County:		GRAFTON	
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	Office suspended. Reason suspended: Suspension notice sent to Headquarters.		
05/02/2010	Postmaster vacancy occurred. Reason: retired		
	OIC: Career: 0 Noncareer: 0 Other Employ	ees: 0	
03/02/2011	District manager authorization to study.		
04/26/2011	Questionnaires sent to customers. Number sent: Analysis: Favorable 7 Unfavorable 16 No Op		
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08/30/2011

VICE PRESIDENT, DELIVERY AND POST OFFICE OPERATIONS UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE 475 L'ENFANT PLAZA ROOM 5621 WASHINGTON DC 20260-5621

SUBJECT: Official Record

Enclosed for your review and approval is the official record to discontinue the Glencliff Post Office.

All appropriate actions have been taken, and we have considered the concerns/comments of affected customers. The record has been thoroughly reviewed, and all necessary documentation is included. All documents in the record are numbered and contain docket and item numbers on each page and a chronological index of all documents in the record is included. Effective and regular service will be provided to community residents by permanently implementing the alternative service proposed.

Refer questions about this Post Office discontinuance to Jim McCartney, Post Office Review Coordinator, at (207) 482-7168 or John Cantwell Manager Post Office Operations.

DEBORAH ESSLER DISTRICT MANAGER 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME 04101-9990

## Enclosures:

One copy of record (http://hqcsopps.usps.gov/public/dis/4B/P1364927.pdf) Headquarters acknowledgment of receipt of official record (optional) Self-addressed envelope

cc: Vice President, NORTHEAST Area (no enclosures)

# Headquarters Acknowledgment of Receipt of Official Record

The official record to consolidate the GLENCLIFF was received by 09/11/2011. Please contact the Headquarters coordinator at (916) 916-8315 or the address below for additional information regarding its status.

475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW ROOM 6700 WASHINGTON DC 20260-6700

Enclosure: (self-addressed envelope)

\*Note: The acknowledgment form is optional and to be used at the district's discretion. Please provide the following memorandum and and a self-addressed return envelope if you wish to receive an acknowledgment of Headquarters receipt of the record.

Date of Posting: 10/05/2011

Date of Removal: 11/06/2011

FINAL DETERMINATION TO CLOSE THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE AND ESTABLISH SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

DOCKET NUMBER 1364927 - 03238

### I. RESPONSIVENESS TO COMMUNITY POSTAL NEEDS

The Postal Service is issuing the final determination to close the Glencliff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office. Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue.

The office was studied for possible closing or consolidation due to the following reasons: This is a management initiated study to determine if regular and effective service can be provided through alternate means.

The Glencliff Post Office, an EAS-53 level, provides service from 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 Monday - Friday, 07:00 to 13:00 Saturday and lobby hours of 07:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 17:00 on Monday - Friday and 07:00 to 13:00 on Saturday to 52 post office box or general delivery customers and no delivery customers. Retail services included the sale of stamps, stamped paper, and money orders; special services such as Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Insured Mail, COD Mail, and Express Mail services; and the acceptance and dispatch of all classes of mail.

The retail window averaged 12 transaction(s) accounting for 15 minute(s) of retail workload daily. With minimal workload, the Postal Service feels that effective and regular service will be provided by rural route service. Office receipts for the last 3 years were: \$11,875 (31 revenue units) in FY 2008; \$13,322 (35 revenue units) in FY 2009; and \$11,342 (30 revenue units) in FY 2010. There were no permit mailer(s) or postage meter customer(s).

On May 24, 2011, representatives from the Postal Service were available at the Warren Town Hall to answer questions and provide information to customers. 21 customer(s) attended the meeting.

On April 26, 2011, 55 questionnaires were distributed to delivery customers of the Glencliff Post Office. Questionnaires were also available over the counter for retail customers at the Glencliff Post Office. 31 questionnaires were returned. Responses regarding the proposed alternate service were as follows: 7 favorable, 16 unfavorable, and 8 expressed no opinion.

One congressional inquiry was received on July 28, 2011.

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Concern:

Response:

A petition supporting the retention of the Glencliff Post Office was received on June 20, 2011, with 615 signatures.

When this final determination is implemented, delivery and retail services will be provided by the Warren Post Office, an EAS-13 level office. Window service hours at the Warren Post Office are from 07:30 to 13:00 and 14:30 to 17:00, Monday through Friday, and 07:30 to 12:00 on Saturday. There are 83 post office boxes available.

The proposal to close the Glendiff Post Office was posted with an invitation for comment at the Glendiff Post Office and Warren Post Office from June 14, 2011 to August 15, 2011. The following additional concerns were received during the proposal posting period: Concern: Customer expressed a concern about HIKERS

Response:	Thank you for your questionnaire in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud, and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail.

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Thank you for your email in which you expressed your concern about the availability of postal services to hikers on the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is a national treasure of which we can all be proud. and your commitment to making it so is to be applauded. The Postal Service is aware of and is sympathetic to the needs of its customers. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes, The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According

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Customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to Concern: weigh and rate letters and packages Response: The customer expressed a concern about the inability of the rural carrier to weigh and rate letters and packages. The rural carrier will accept any letters or packages for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate. Customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin Concern: board at the PostOffice. Response: The customer expressed a concern about the loss of the community bulletin board at the Post Office. A community bulletin board is available at the Warren Post Office for use by the residents. Customers expressed concern for those customers with disabilities who Concern: are not able to go to adminoffice Post Office to pick up their mail Response: The customer expressed a concern about those customers with disabilities who are not able to go to the post office to pick up their mail. Customers are not required to travel to another post office to receive mail or obtain retail services. These services will be provided by the carrier to a roadside mailbox located close to customers' residences. In hardship cases, delivery can be made to the home of a customer. Changes in the type of delivery are considered where service by existing methods would impose an extreme physical hardship for an individual customer. Any request for a change in delivery method must be submitted in writing to the administrative postmaster. Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route 6. Concern: service Response: The customer expressed a concern over the dependability of rural route service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously and arrive at boxes at about the same time each day. 7. Concern: Customers were concerned about a change of address Response: The customer expressed a concern about mail addressed to Glencliff Home residents. Customers who retain Po Box service would continue to use their same mailing address and box number when moved to the Warren Post Office. Customers who elect to receive roadside delivery will be assigned a 911 address. The new address will use the Warren name and 03279 ZIP Code. Mail will be forwarded in accordance with postal regulations, and change of address forms are available from the Postal Service to assist customers in notifying correspondents of the change Concern: Customers were concerned about later delivery of mail Response: The customer expressed a concern about delivery time. A customer's location on a carrier's line of travel determines the time of day mail is delivered. This, of course, precludes providing early delivery of mail to every customer because, no matter how we structure a route, somebody must be last. We do, however, carefully consider the volume of mail for each route so that we can deliver the greatest amount of mail at the earliest possible hour. With the largest fleet of delivery vehicles in

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9. Concern:

Response:

10. Concern:

Response:

11. Concern:

Response:

gasoline goes up one cent per gallon our total gasoline cost rises more than \$8 million. Therefore, when structuring a route, we must balance our goal to deliver as much mail as possible as early as possible with the need to minimize the travel distance a route must cover.

Customers were concerned about mail security

The customer expressed a concern about the security of mail. Customers may place a lock on their mailboxes. The mailbox must have a slot large enough to accommodate the customer's normal daily mail volume. The Postal Service does not open mailboxes which are locked and does not accept keys for this purpose.

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Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier

The customer are concerned about obtaining services from the carrier. Retail services provided at the post office are available from the carrier. Most transactions do not require meeting the carrier at the mailbox. Stamps by Mail and Money Order Application forms are available for customer convenience. Listed below are some services available from the carrier and how to obtain them.

## **PURCHASING STAMPS BY MAIL**

The Stamps by Mail Program provides customers the opportunity to purchase stamps, envelopes, and postal cards by using Form 3227-R, Stamp Purchase Order (Rural), available from the post office or the carrier. Commemorative stamps and stamp collecting products are also available. The customer addresses the postage paid order form envelope, encloses payment by personal check or postal money order made payable to the US Postal Service, and mails the form (postage-free) or leaves it in the mailbox for the carrier to pick up. Most orders are processed overnight, and some immediately.

## **PURCHASING POSTAL MONEY ORDERS**

Customers may purchase money orders by meeting the carrier at the mailbox, completing an application, and paying the carrier (in cash) the price of the money order, plus the fee. The carrier gives the customer a receipt for the application. The money order is completed when the carrier returns to the post office, and a money order receipt is left in the customer's mailbox on the next delivery day. Most customers provide the carrier with a stamped, self-addressed envelope in which the completed money order is mailed to its destination. If customers prefer, the completed money orders will be returned for verification on the next delivery day.

### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

Special services such as certified, registered, Express Mail, delivery confirmation, signature confirmation, and COD may be obtained from the carrier by leaving a note in the mailbox, along with the appropriate payment. The carrier will provide the services that day and leave a customer receipt in the mailbox on the next delivery day.

### HOLDING MAIL

Customers who will be away for an extended time, such as a vacation, may request that their mail be held at the post office during their absence. Upon return the customer asks the post office to resume delivery.

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Customers were concerned about the limited hours of operation at the Post Office.

Postmaster level and office service hours are determined by a workload analysis which includes the number of deliveries and revenue. A workload analysis indicated the office level had declined and qualified for less hours of service per week. Carrier service will provide 24-hour access to the mail.

Customers were concerned about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows

The customer expressed a concern about the mailboxes being damaged by snowplows. Please contact the administrative postmaster to determine the proper mailbox location and installation method that would help alleviate this concern. Placing the mailbox on a long, swinging, horizontal pipe is one method often used to avoid damage by snowplows.

You were concerned about having to travel to another post office for service

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13. Concern:

Response:

14. Concern:

Response:

15. Concern:

Response:

Customer concerned about one dollar fee charged for stamps ordered 16. Concern: on line. Response: The customer are concerned about the one dollar fee charged for stamps ordered on line. Stamps ordered online are assessed a one dollar fee whether 1 book or multiple books are ordered. You also can choose from various designs. Stamps by mail or from your carrier carry no extra fee. 17. Concern: Customer expressed a concern about package delivery and pickup. Response: Rural carriers will deliver packages that fit in your rural mail box, if the package does not fit in the mail box, the carner will deliver the package up to ½ mile off of the line of travel, at a designated place, such as on your porch or under a carport. For carrier pick up of packages, you can contact the administrative Post Office, letting the carrier know that you have a package available for pick up. The carrier can deviate from the line of travel in order to receive packages. The rural carrier will accept letters, flats or packages up to 13 ounces for mailing. The carrier will estimate the cost and provide a receipt for any money received. On the following delivery day the carrier will provide change or a bill for the amount over the estimate. Packages over 13 ounces may be picked up if the postage was printed online or with a traceable meter. 18. Concern: Customer expressed concern for hikers. Response: The customer expressed a concern for hiker resupply access. The U.S. Postal Service is a self-supporting government enterprise, and the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25 miles while still considered to be on the trail. 19. Concern: Customer expressed concern for hikers. Response: The customer expressed a concern for hiker resupply before the White Mountains. According to Whiteblaze.net, the Glencliff Post Office is one of 128 post offices listed as being along the Appalachian Trail. Ninety-nine of them are several miles away; some are as distant as 25 miles while still considered to be on the trail. The Warren Post Office, while not as close to the trail as Glencliff, is listed on Whiteblaze.net as being on the trail at 4.0 miles east of the trail. Customer was concerned that the Postal Service was not hearing their 20 Concern: concems. Response: The Postal Service is very interested in the service needs of the community and customer feedback is crucial to the decision making process. 21. Concern: Customers expressed concern about having to erect a rural mailbox. Response: Customers are not required to erect rural mailboxes. Customers may receive PO Box service from the Warren Post Office or another location that is more convenient. Customers expressed concern over the dependability of rural route 22. Concern: service. Rural letter carriers perform a vital function in the United States Postal Response: Service serving thousands of families and businesses in rural and suburban areas while traveling millions of miles daily. Rural letter carriers are highly respected by the American public. This respect has been earned by many years of dedication to the Postal Service and to postal customers. During national and local emergencies, including prolonged periods of extreme weather conditions, rural carriers have

demonstrated great responsibility in providing mail service to postal customers. Rural carriers are required to serve the route expeditiously

each day.

Customers suggested cutting management positions from the top down 23. Concern: instead of taking services away from customers. Response: The Postal Service organizational "redesign" is aimed at cutting some 3,000 administrative positions, or almost 21 percent of the total management employees. 24. Concern: Customers were concerned about obtaining services from the carrier. Response: The rural carrier provides all the services that are available at the Post Office with the exception of PO Box service and bulk mail acceptance. This includes stamp sales, package pick up, special services and money order sales. Customer concerned with the safety of hikers picking up winter or 25. Concern: summer gear. Response: The Post Office is proud to be a part of the Appalachian Trail hikers experience. Of the 129 post offices listed on the trail, 11 are in New Hampshire. Warren at 4.8 miles and Lyme Center at 1.2 miles off the trail are local offices that would be capable of servicing the hikers. Customers asked why their post office was being discontinued while 26. Concern: others were retained Response: Post offices are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. When there is a vacancy in a small office, it is customary to conduct a study of the business activity and investigate the feasibility of providing service by alternate means. Customers expressed a concern for the Appalachian Trail thru hikers 27. Concern: and Glencliff Home for the Elderly. The Glencliff Post Office is one of 11 post offices in New Hampshire Response: listed on the Appalachian Trail. They range from ten miles to under one mile off the trail. The Warren Post Office is one of the eleven listed at 4.8 miles off the trail. The Glencliff Home would be able to retain its Post Office Box mailing address. It may also be at no fee due to non delivery to the street for the area and town in which it resides. Customers felt inclement weather and poor road conditions might 28. Concern: impede delivery Response: Both inclement weather and heavy mail volume can cause deviations from the normal delivery schedule. However, the carrier is required to provide a vehicle of adequate size, equipped with necessary equipment (chains or snow tires, warning lights or signs, etc.) to serve the route safely and efficiently and in accordance with federal, state, and local motor vehicle laws and regulations. Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed 29. Concern: discontinuance Carrier service is more cost-effective than maintaining a postal facility Response: and postmaster position. The Postal Service estimates a positive annual savings. Customers wanted to know what do they have to do to keep the Post Concern: Office open. Response: Everything you are doing now. Answering questionnaires with comments and concerns. Attending this community meeting. Also, if

Concern:

You expressed a concern about getting rural delivery service to your homes location.

there is a final determination to close, you will have the option of appealing the decision to the Postal Regulatory Commission.

Response:

There are several guidelines which must be met prior to a road being approved for delivery. The road to be traveled must be at least 14 feet wide and maintained at all times of the year. It cannot dead end in a private driveway even if the drive is maintained by a municipality. There must be a suitable turning point provided for the carrier, preferably with no backing. If backing is involved, there are other guidelines to adhere to. If backing is necessitated, the Postmaster must verify it is in a low-traffic area and there are no children in the immediate vicinity on a regular basis. There must also be a minimum of one family per one-half mile of travel.

## Some advantages of the proposal are:

- The rural and contract carriers may provide retail services, alleviating the need to go to the post office. Stamps by Mail order forms are provided for customer convenience.
- Customers opting for carrier service will have 24-hour access to their mail.
- 3. Savings for the Postal Service contribute in the long run to stable postage rates and savings for customers.
- CBUs can offer the security of individually locked mail compartments. Parcel lockers provide convenient parcel delivery for customers.
- 5. Customers opting for carrier service will not have to pay post office box fees.
- 6. Saves time and energy for customers who drive to the post office to pick up mail.

### Some disadvantages of the proposal are:

- 1. The loss of a retail outlet. Retail services may be provided by the rural or contract delivery carrier.
- 2. Meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier at the box to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions.
- 3. A change in the mailing address. The community name will continue to be used in the new address. A carrier route address will be assigned.
- 4. A change in your PO Box Fees may be a result of this proposal.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service concludes this final determination will provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to the community.

## II. EFFECT ON COMMUNITY

Concern:

Glencliff is an unincorporated community located in GRAFTON County. The community is administered politically by Warren Selectboard. Police protection is provided by the Warren Police Officer. Fire protection is provided by the Warren Volunteer Fire Department. The community is comprised of self employed, retirees, commuters, and those who commute to work at nearby communities and may work in local businesses.

Businesses and organizations include: Glencliff Community Chapel, Glencliff Improvement Coop., Hikers Welcome Hostel, Glencliff Home for the Elderly, Backwoods Sugar House, Walt's Auto & Marine, Timberland Construction. Residents may travel to nearby communities for other supplies and services.

Nonpostal services provided at the Glendiff Post Office will be available at the Warren Post Office. Government forms normally provided by the Post Office will also be available at the Warren Post Office or by contacting your local government agency.

The following nonpostal concerns were expressed from questionnaires, the community meeting, on the petition, and on the congressional inquiry:

1.	Concern:	Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and information center.
	Response:	The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place and information center. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.
2.	Concern:	Customers expressed concern for loss of gathering place and information center.
	Response:	The customer expressed a concern about the loss of a gathering place. Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share information at a church, hall, or residences in town.

Customers expressed concern for loss of community identity.

Response:

A community's identity derives from the interest and vitality of its residents and their use of its name. The Postal Service is helping to

preserve community identity by continuing the use of the Community

name and ZIP Code in addresses.

Concern: Customers questioned the economic savings of the proposed

discontinuance.

Response: Carrier service can be and, in this case, is more cost-effective than

maintaining a postal facility and a postmaster position. The Postal

Service estimates an annual savings with this change.

Concern: Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an

information center.

Response: Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at the community Willing Workers Hall, churches and

residences in town.

Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an

information center.

Response: Residents may continue to meet informally, socialize, and share

information at the other businesses, churches and residences in town.

Concern: Customers were concerned about the loss of a gathering place and an

information center.

Response: Residents may meet informally, socialize, and share information at the

community Willing Workers Hall, churches and residences in town.

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information at the Willing Workers Hall and residences in town.

\$ 27,171

Based on the information obtained in the course of this discontinuance study, the Postal Service concludes this final determination will not adversely affect the community.

### **III. EFFECT ON EMPLOYEES**

Response:

The postmaster position became vacant when the postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. The noncareer postmaster relief (PMR) may be separated from the Postal Service. No other Postal Service employee will be adversely affected. Since the postmaster vacancy an OIC has been installed to operate the office.

### IV. ECONOMIC SAVINGS

The Postal Service estimates an annual savings of \$ 27,171 with a breakdown as follows:

 Postmaster Salary (EAS-53, No COLA)
 \$ 22,288

 Fringe Benefits @ 33.5%
 \$ 7,466

 Annual Lease Costs
 + \$ 4.200

 Total Annual Costs
 \$ 33,954

 Less Annual Cost of Replacement Service
 - \$ 6.783

## V. OTHER FACTORS

**Total Annual Savings** 

The Postal Service has identified no other factors for consideration.

## VI. SUMMARY

This is the final determination to close the Glendiff, NH Post Office and provide delivery and retail services by rural route service under the administrative responsibility of the Warren Post Office, located five miles away.

The postmaster retired on May 02, 2010. If the office has a noncareer PMR(s), they may be separated from the Postal Service; however, attempts will be made to reassign the employee(s) to a nearby facility. No other employee(s) will be adversely affected. The workload has declined. Effective and regular service will continue to be provided by rural route service.

The Glencliff Post Office provided delivery and retail service to 52 PO Box or general delivery customers and no delivery route customers. The daily retail window transactions averaged 12. There are no permit mailers or postage meter customers.

There will no longer be a retail outlet in the community. However, delivery and retail services may be available from a rural or contract delivery carrier, which could alleviate the need to travel to a Post Office for service. The Postal Service will save an estimated \$27,171 annually. A disadvantage to some will be in meeting the rural or contract delivery carrier to transact business. However, it is not necessary to be present to conduct most Postal Service transactions with rural or contract delivery carrier.

Taking all available information into consideration, the Postal Service has determined that the advantages outweigh the disadvantages and this final determination is warranted.

### VII. NOTICES

- A. Support Materials. Copies of all materials upon which this final determination is based are available for public inspection at the Glencliff Post Office and Warren Post Office during normal office hours.
- B. Appeal Rights. This final determination to close the Glencliff Post Office may be appealed by any person served by that office to the Postal Regulatory Commission at 901 New York Ave NW, Suite 200, Washington DC 20268-000l. Appeals must be received by the Commission within 30 days of the date this final determination is posted. If an appeal is filed, copies of appeal documents prepared by the Postal Regulatory Commission or the parties to the appeal will be made available for public inspection at Glencliff Post Office and Warren Post Office during normal office hours.

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	09/26/2011	
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Enclosures:

Final Determination Official Record



10/05/2011

OFFICER-IN-CHARGE/POSTMASTER Glencliff Post Office

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Regarding Posting of the Glencliff Post Office Final Determination Docket No. 1364927 - 03238

Please post in the lobby the enclosed final determination to close the Glencliff Post Office. The final determination must be posted in a prominent place from 10/05/2011 through close of business on 11/06/2011. It must be posted for at least 30 days and the first day does not count. Additionally, please take down the posted "Notice of Taking Proposal and Comments under Internal Consideration" and return to this office.

Round-date stamp the cover of the final determination on the date of posting and on the date of removal. Please send the final determination to me by close of business on 11/07/2011.

Additional copies of the final determination are enclosed. Provide them to customers upon request.

Also enclosed is the official record upon which this final determination is based. Customers may read it; however, they may not remove it from your office. When a customer requests a copy of the record, provide it upon payment of any fees prescribed in Administrative Support Manual. If you do not have photocopy equipment, take the customer's name, address and telephone number and contact the district for needed copies.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (207) 482-7168.

Sincerely,

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POST OFFICE REVIEW COORDINATOR

151 FOREST AVE

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Date of Removal: 11/06/2011

FINAL DETERMINATION TO CLOSE THE GLENCLIFF, NH POST OFFICE AND ESTABLISH SERVICE BY RURAL ROUTE SERVICE

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10/21/2011

DISTRICT MANAGER NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND PFC 151 FOREST AVE PORTLAND, ME, 04101-9990

ATTENTION: Post Office Review Coordinator

SUBJECT: Announcement of Appeal to the Discontinuance of the GLENCLIFF, 03238-9998 Docket No. 1364927 - 03238

This is to advise you that an appeal to the final determination to discontinue the GLENCLIFF has been filed with the Postal Regulatory Commission. The Headquarters managing counsel, legal policy and ratemaking office, will provide you with copies of all pleadings, notices, orders, briefs, and opinions filed in the appeal proceeding.

In accordance with the Postal Operations Manual, please ensure that a copy of these documents, as well as the final determination, are prominently displayed and made available for inspection by the public at the affected Post Offices until the Commission has issued its final order and opinion. The Postal Regulatory commission has up to 120 days (four months) to consider the appeal and issue its decision.

No final action may be taken until the final decision has been made and you have received written notification of that decision along with appropriate instructions.

This memorandum must be filed in the official record.

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Romero at (916) 373-8315.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kevin Romero Manager Field Performance West

cc:

Vice President, Area Operations NORTHEAST Area Government Relations and Public Policy